# Murdoch's new offer to staff

Wr Barser Murdoch, proprietor of The Tones and The Sunday Times, has said that dismissal notices issued to 210 clerical stell would be withdrawn if changit valuaters for redun-chang came forward to replace them. Agreement has also been reached with several groups on more than 100 voluntary redundancies. Asked whether the newspapers would continue to publish. Mr Murdoch said: "I reserve judgment" Page 2

> Exclusive Henry Kissinger



#### How to deal with the Soviet Union

Was détente a failure? Did it empose the West to Soviet adventurism? Henry Kissinger, former American Secretary of State, assesses his experiences and discusses the Soviet challenge Page 10

# No pay offer for nurses

Leaders of Britain's nurses, who want a 12 per cent pay rise, were "appalled" yesterday to get no firm offer when the claim was discussed at a meeting of the Whitley Council. The offer is likely to have to wait until next month.

#### Ski trip firm ceases trading

Erna Low, the travel company which pioneered family skiing holidays after the second world war, ceased trading yesterday and went into voluntary liquidation after the Civil Aviation Authority refused it an operating licence. The CAA said it was "no longer satisfied as the company's financial arrangements"

# Concern over terror school

Mrs Thatcher said yesterday she was very concerned at events at St Saviour's primary school, Toxteth, where pupils terrorized and vandalized the school. The school's headman ter is seeking early retirement, and teachers' leaders said many many local teachers were cracking under the strain

# NatWest reports record profit

National Westminster Bank reported record profits of £494m for 1981, only days after Lloyds Bank also returned a record. NatWest's profits rose £84m over the previous year Page 19

# Inquiry call

over Amersham Mr Merlyn Rees, the Labour Party's energy spokesman, has asked the Commons Public-investigate the sale by the Government of shares in Amersham International.

#### Bombs explode Two car bombs have killed 12 people in a crowded Beiruk

street market. The first ex-plosion destroyed half a dozen stalls. Blood lay splashed on the pavement for hours.

# England win 4-0

England beat Northern Ireland, the champions, 4—0 in the first of the home international matches. Keegan, Robson, Wilkins and Hoddle scored the goals at Wembley

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Warning from Mrs Thatcher

# **Budget hopes** dampened by oil price decline

Prime minister said last night, she said that the recent reduction in the price of oil, by cutting revenue, diminished the Chancellor of the Exchequer's limited room for manneuvre.

Speaking at the annual dinner in London of the Engineering Employers' Fed eration, Mrs Margaret Thatcher said that the Government's pur-pose was to tend and nurture the first fruits of recovery: but that would not be achieved by

"For our part we will resist the calls for easy options", she said. "Ulysses, you will re-member, resisted the siren voices and came safely home to harbour"

The Prime Minister said that every day she read of proposals to reduce this tax or that. Together they added up to a formidable total. But the Government had announced and Parliament had debated, next year's spending; and the pur-pose of the Budget was to raise the revenue.

The reduction in the price of oil, which was still continuing would lower costs and was particularly welcome to industry. But the fact that this reduced the revenue from North Sea oil was a factor which could not be ignored, for the Chancellor had to make the

sums add up.
On his ability to do so rested ronfidence in the currency.

Mrs Thatcher told her audience that there was some good news. The increase last year of 7 per cent in manufacturing productivity was unprecedented during a recession, and the rise in the unit cost of labour in British manufacturing had been transformed from one of the fastest in the world to one of

fastest in the world to one of the most modest.

"We are becoming much less strike-prone with one or two notable exceptions in the public sector. In 1981 industrial stop-pages were the lowest for four decades. We are becoming much more aggressive in sell-ing overseas, in 1981 our cur-rent account surplus will almost rent account surplus will almost certainly be the highest on record, and our exports have performed well."

Finally, and most important, we have much lower expecta-tions abour inflation. People were beginning to understand were beginning to understand blamed on government. It that the Government was going to get it down well into single figures, and it must keep it there. The Wholesale Price them.

Expectations of tax reduc-tions in next month's Budget were being raised too high, the Prime Minister said last night.

Index in January rose by the smallest amount for nine years.

Mrs Thatcher said that the other side of the coin was that other side of the coin was that the unemployment previously hidden in industry, now swelled the unemployment "Tragically for those register. involved, the recovery of employment lags some way behind the recovery of output.

"But we are now well placed to take advantage of an

expansion in world trade.
"We have within our reach
a new and lasting prosperity; more stable prices; a long overdue recovery in profits and investment; a revival of enterprise, followed by the new jubs we all so much want to see."

She said that one of the she said that one of the government's main achievements was that management had regained its proper authority and responsibility.

We have created the conditions within which management can manage. That is why we acted to cut away the controls on wages and prices, to reduce the top rates of tax and to remove exchange controls to remove exchange controls so that British firms could take their proper place in a world of multi-national invest-

ments.

She said that the engineering industry had shown how, throughout the private sector, the fatal obsession with keepng up with the pay of the Joneses was making way for recognition of the need to catch up with the performance Siemens and the

There was no substitute for the spur of competition if Britain's performance was to

Mrs Thatcher reiterated her belief that new jobs would be provided with the introduction of new technology and more effective working habits. The age of the computer had been greeted with apprehension but enabled people to do things which would have been impossible before the tech-nology was developed.

"So I believe it will be with the microchip. Each new tech-

nology carries the potential of more jobs and wider markets." Unemployment caused by restrictive practices and over-manning leading to the loss of whole factories, and even whole industries, could not be

# Jobless total down by **25,000** this month

By David Blake, Economics Editor

reprivary memployment figures brought good news for the Government yesterday, with a drop of 25,743 on the January total to 3,044,878, 12.6 percent of the workforce. The underlying level of The Government estimates that adult unemployment, which is the underlying figure is probabetter economic indicator, ably growing at about 35,000 showed a rise of 7,100, but this was the smallest increase since

trend in unemployment, while still upwards, is showing less of an increase than a few months ago.

The latest figures fit in with

the pattern built up in recent years of a sharp increase in January unemployment being followed by good February

figures.

The improvement in the overall total was largely caused by a drop in the number of school leavers out of work, down from 150,000 in January to 134,000 in February. The traditional seasonal improvement at this time of year also played a part.

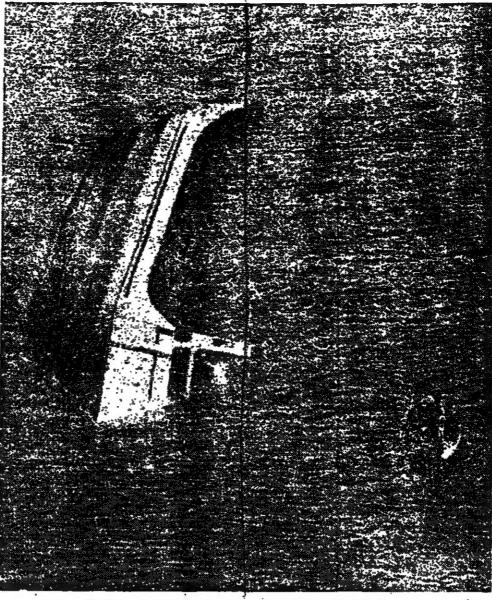
memployment rose slightly to 2,836,000 or Just over two million adult men and rather more than three quarters of a million women are registered as without work

was the smallest increase since November 1979.
Officials in Government estimate that the underlying some comfort to the Government of the Covernment of the ment, the estimate of vacant jobs in February rams home the fact that no big improvement is in sight. After allowing for seasonal factors there was a small fall in vacancies to 113,500 in February. This is the first fall in vacancies since Seatomber last vacancies since

Unemployment is spreading slowly over the whole country, moving out of the traditional industrial heartlands into the South-east and London, There were small drops in the North and North-west, but a hig rise in the South-east. Northern Ireland, with 18.1

played a part.

Adult unemployment, after per cent unemployment (22.3 allowing for seasonal factors, Continued on back page, col 1



The St Bedan on her side after the engine room bombing.

# IRA blows up cargo ship and threatens more attacks

From Richard Ford, Moville, Co Donegal

explosives on the St Bedan detonated. The vessel sank and ended on her ode in about 40 feet of water. Rocket attacks will be made against British shipping entering Northern Ireland waters, the IRA warned yesterday after an armed gang sank a 1,250-ton coal ship in Lough Foyle by placing bombs in herenging room.

royte by placing sounds in the engine room.

The masked Provisional IRA team bluffed its way on to the St Bedan, loaded with 1,625 tons of coal from Northumberland, by hijacking a customs cutter from Moville, co

The men, wearing balaclavas and armed with sub-machine guns and rifles told Mr. Roderick Black, the captain to stop engines and anchor a mile from the Donegal coast. Eve bags of explosives were taken aboard; and before the ten-man crew was ordered into a life-raft the IRA took photographs

of the men. One seaman said: "The guard with a sub-machine gun was very talkative. They were all in a high state of excitement. They took photographs for American propaganda sheets and they said: For

sheets and they said: 'For this photograph we want you to shout, Up the Provos.'

"None of us said enything but we all burst out laughing. They got a picture of us all laughing our heads off."

The IRA men then ordered the crew on to a raft and said they would tow them ashore. But after 10 minutes the raft was our adrift and left floating was cut adrift and left floating out to sea on a strong tide. Within another half an hour

the pilots from the pilot station had managed to free them-selves and rescued the crew-

men on the raft, just as the

The ship, owned by J and A Gardner, a Gasgow shipping company, is attimated to be worth film. Salvage experts said if was oo early to say whether she could be saved.

Describing the attack, Mr Black said: We were sailing up the lough when the pilot boat came alongside and a man came on board. This was normal procedure, but the next thing I knew the man had pulled a gum and put it to my head.

About six masked men

"About six masked came on board. At least one was armed with a machine-gun and I saw another with an automatic rifle."
He said the leader of the

gang gave a warning that British shipping coming to any port in Northern Ireland would

port in Northern Ireland would be in danger of having rockets fired at them. The bombing was a carbon copy of an attack a year ago on another coal ship, the Nellie M in Lough Foyle, an expanse of water separating the north-west coast of Ulster with the north-east coast of Donesal.

west coast of Jister with the north-east coast of Donegal.

Mr John Nelson, assistant national secretary of the seamen's union, called for tighter security to ston more bombings of British ships. "We would ask ship owners to consider nor allowing ships to go into this area during dailness. It is too dangerous", he said. "It is tragic that the terrorists were able to carry our a carbon copy of the attack alyear ago."

A spokesman for J. and A. Gardner said the Government should look at security at their pilot stations and he hoped there, could be discussions there could be discussions between shipping owners and the Irish Government. No one had been hurt so far but if it went on someone would be hurt. In Londonderry, there was alarm that a repetition of a terrorist attack could have far reaching consequences and any loss of trade at the port would mean loss of jobs throughout the area", said a spokesman for the ship's agents.

☐ The Royal Navy is to step Northern Ireland following the IRA attack, according to Whitehall sources (the Press

Mhiteball sources (the Press
Association reports).
At present, the Navy maintains patrols by two fleet
tenders manned by Navy personnel, mainly aimed at catching gun-runners. These are
the 143 ton Albert and
Vigilant, formerly called Loyal
Governor and Loyal Factor.
Their agrees were chosed by Their names were changed be-cause of the similarity to Loyalist, felt to be politically

insensitive.
One of the options available to the security forces is to station Royal Marines with high speed "rigid vaider" assault craft at spots along the coast likely to be bases for terrorist attack. It is thought that RAF helicopter flights will also be stepped up.

| Police in the Irish Republic

were questioning three men about the bombing. They were arrested in Co Donegal.



St. Bedan's captain, Roderick Black: "A gun at my head".

# Russians tell of horror and heroism in Afghanistan From Michael Binyon, Moscow, Feb 23

The Russians were given a ters were blown up. In one remarkable glimpse today of the ferocity and cruelty of the fighting in Afghanistan, where last month alone, according to the Soviet Ministry of Defence, and the street. In another, insure that the street. In another, insure that the street. In another, insure that the street.

the Soviet Ministry of Defence, 2,223 anti-Government insurgents were killed, 1,117 captured and more than 2,000 assorted weapons seized.

An unusually frank account of the life of the Soviet conscript—lonely, cold, and under attack in the snow-covered mountains of Afghanistan—admitted that at times things were very very tough for the were very, very tough for the

Russians.
The Army newspaper Red
Star said today that thousands
upon thousands of rebels, armed and equipped with foreign weapons, poured across the border day after day into

in the street. In another, hostages had been seized, tortured, skinned alive and then shot. In the Faizabad region rebels had captured the wife and 13-year-old daughter of a government security officer and brutally shot them?

Red Star caid the Kabul
Army and self-defence detachments were hitting back mercilessly, however, and implied that Soviet forces took part also in last month's large-scale operations, quoting them saying they would not leave the Afghan people in misery. The report said Russian morale was high Not one soldier to whom the correspon-

been in the country only three months had proved himself an excellent commander and out-standing social worker: a term the press here uses to describe the aid Soviet forces are said to give Afghan peasants.

Red Star portrayed the
Sovier soldiers as patriots
selflessly serving in difficult
conditions far from home be-

cause they were true inter-nationalists: "It is not because we don't have enough cares at home, nor because we are seeking some kind of victory at the expense of others. It's simply that we were born thus, the sons of the October Revolution of Lenin and of the party. In an obvious attempt to

link the Soviet presence in Afghanistan with more widely acclaimed instances of Soviet Atguanistan.

Their tactics were savage: dent spoke complained of military activity abroad, the schools, hospitals and the hardship, and all were in fight paper compared the young houses of government supporting spirit. One man who had men to their fathers who had

di.d or been awarded medals di.d or been awarded medals liberating Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia and Poland.

The paper described the soldiers eating unexpected and welcome bowls of porridge, and discussing their saired brotherly duty in Afghanistan and reminiscing about their home towns, far from the country but close in spirit.

One major had even contrived to write a poem about

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trived to write a poem about his country's glorious role in defending Afghanistan against its enemies. Red Star repro-duced the heroic doggerel, which recalled the man's father's death during the Spanish civil war, and ended declaring: "For a Russian it is the custom to help: I shall help you, o Afghan".

The paper's correspondent was clearly aware that this interpretation of the Soviet role was not fully accepted by

"Our coming to our neighbour's—at his urgent request— is not aggression or interven-tion, as ill-intentioned slanderers try to prove. The only task before the Soviet military contingent is to help Afghanistan repel the threat from out-side."

In a final declaration he addressed the Soviet forces, saying: "You know, friends, that you live in every Sovie heart. People are proud of you, love you, remember you. The victory you have achieved is a victory of our Army, of our country, of brotherhood and nobleness, a victory of internationalism." ☐ Belbi: Western diplomatic sources here today claimed that Lieutenant-General P. I. Shkidchenko of the Soviet Army died last month in a rocket attack on his helicopter in eastern Afghanistan (AFP

# Uganda fighting leaves 69 dead

From Charles Harrison
Nairobi, Feb 23
At least 69 people were
killed today in fierce fighting
between troops and guerrillas
trying to overthrow the Government of President Obote,
Usanda radio said

ernment of President Obote, Uganda radio said,
Mr Paulo Muwanga, the Ugandan Vice-President and Defence Minister, tonight denied reports that he had narrowly escaped death when his convoy came under guerrilla fire on the Kampala-Entebbe road. Suggestions that he had been ambushed and four of his armed escorts killed in an exchange of fire with rebels were completely untrue, he said.

A fierce attack by anti-Government guerrillas on the Malire Army barracks in Kampala early today was a desper-ate attempt to capture the barracks and overthrow the Government, a Ugandan Def-ence Ministry spokesman said

During the attack, which began at 2 am and continued until mid-morning, hundreds of artillery shells, rockets and mortar bombs were fired—some from mortars placed on the steps of the Roman Catholic cathedral on Rubaga Hill, less than a mile from the barracks, according to the government

The Defence Ministry says at least 69 of the attackers were killed, and another 10 were wounded and captured.

By contrast, the Uganda Freedom Movement (UFM), one of the underground groups which want to oust President Obote, claims that its forces overran the barracks and cap-tured large quantities of arms -" too many for our men to carry away", according to a

Spokesman.

Kampala residents were kept up all night by the sound of heavy artillery, rocket and small arms fire. It was described as the heaviest gunfire heard in Kampala sing forces outside former nian forces ousted former President Idi Amin in 1979. The firing was concentrated in the south of the city, mainly around the Malire barracks, housed in the former palace of the Kabakas (Kings) of

of the Kabakas (Kings) of Bugauda, and around the Uganda Army headquarters, half a mile away.

Uganda radio said the attack was launched in the Katwe, Mengo, Najanankumbi, Kibuye and Kabowa areas.

The main road from Kampala to Entebbe Airport, which

to Entebbe Airport, which passes close to the barracks, was closed to traffic by troops.

The firing died down by
mid-morning, but sporadic gunfire could be heard in central Campala throughout the day. A government statement assured Ugandans at midday that the situation was now quiet after terrorists had been overpowered.

The statement said the

terrorists had tried to take adventage of the relaxed situation in Kampala, because they had lost the support of people in the rural areas. It described the attack as a desperate one, which had been easily over-

powered.
However, a spokesman for the UFM claimed that they had shelled the Malire barracks from a distance of about three miles, with 61 and 81 mm mortars. "This was new equipment which we had just moved in—it was a good test," the spokesman said.

He claimed that the guerrillas caused about 300 casual-ties in the barracks, and denied claims that they had been

We were not repulsed. We are still in strategic positions around Kampala, the spokes-

# Balloon goes up in 'free' Wales

From Tim Jones Mold

Planners in the Pentagon and the Kremlin may not yet tremble, bur Wales yesterday declared itself a nuclear-free A thousand helium-filled bal-loons carried the message over

the border to England and at Olympic-style torch of peace was lit. From Queensferry in the north to the Severn Bridge in the south, signs along Offa's Dyke stated that Wales has renounced the siting of any nuclear weapons within its

borders.
The declaration came after Clwyd became the eighth and last county council in the Prin-cipality to decide that it would be a nuclear-free zone. Every county authority in Wales is now pledged to oppose any

now pledged to oppose any attempt to have nuclear bombs or missiles stockpiled or constructed in the areas they administer.

The Clwyd decision was the culmination of a remarkable campaign which has been waged by groups under the umbrella of the Weish Auti-Nuclear Alliance.

In mid-Wales geologists searching for sires to dump

searching for sites to dump nuclear waste were harassed unremittingly until they had to concede defeat. In mid-Glamorgan, the county council was forced to reconsider plans for a nuclear defence command For more than a year every county councillor in Wales has

been lobbied and, starting with Dyfed, the councils have fallen into line. Retired colonels and captains pleading the need for defence have been knocked down like so many targets on a firing range. A message was sent by telex to the Prince of Wales, sunbathing on his Caribbean boliday island. (He may muse that a limited nuclear strike against Fleet Street might not be a bad thing). It said: "In accordance with the ancient Welsh custom prescribed by

Geraldus Cambriensis of the gwerin (ordinary people) speaking confidently to their Prince, we think you might wish to hear from us that today all the county councils of Wales have declared their counties nuclear-free zones, making Wales the first countr in Europe to declare itself nuclear-free.



Declaration, crafted on vellum, will be sent to Presidents Brezhnev and Reagan every European leader, asking them to follow the example that Wales has set.

Celebrations yesterday were muted by sombre speeches de-picting a nuclear bolocaust. Mr Gwynfor Evans, former presi-dent of Plaid Cymru, said a were not repulsed. We il in strategic positions Kampala", the spokesid.

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Big cheque-book

fraud revealed

that he was the master-

mind of an international "cross firing" cheque swindle. Hunted by police across Europe, he took

refuge in Surrey's stockbroker belt. . . Stewart Tendler tells the story for

the first time, page five.

What did not come out at the perfume trial of Siegmund Sperber was

# Perfume fraud trickster jailed for five years

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter An international con-man,

wanted across Europe, and described as a "guiding light" in a conspirary to defraud £271,000 from a fringe bank, was jailed for five years at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

Judge McKinnon, QC, was told that Mr Georg Pratten, aged 64, of Virginia Water, Surrey, was wanted for extradition to Italy and had twice been convicted abroad. The court was told his real name was Siegmund Specker and he was Siegmund Sperber and he had been brought up in Antwerp.

Mr Pratten was convicted for his part in the defrauding of the National Union Bank which unwittingly advanced money to a perfume company on the basis of false invoices. Mr Maurice Thomas Wood, Mr Maurice Thomas Wood, aged 58, of Wellington Court, Westminster, was sentenced to one year for his part in the conspiracy.

Mr Pratten, described as a diamond cleaner, was convicted by a jury on Monday at the end of a 13-week trial involv-ing thousands of exhibits and costing at least £250,000.

In the course of the trial Detective Sergeant John Mul-lally, of Scotland Yard's fraud squad, gave evidence for 14 days on a case which took several years to investigate. Yesterday the court was told that Mr Pratien was con-victed in Belgium in 1959 and in France in 1969. During the

last war he was taken prisoner by the Germans, in 1940, to-gether with the rest of his family. Five of his sisters were killed but he escaped with his parents. In his defence it was said

that a sentence passed in France had been later dealt with in Austria and he had been acquitted, but the court was told there was no mention of this on his Interpol file, which carried the note "identity uncertain".

Claudio Mondino, a club owner, of The Green, Upron. Norfolk, was found not guilty of conspiracy to defraud the bank, and discharged. George Scott, aged 53, and his son Ian, aged 30, of De Rauch House, Nine Mile. Fine Property of the Control Nine Mile Ride, Finchamp-stead, Berkshire, were found guilty and are to be sentenced

# Bistro ban on young jobless

**NEWS IN** 

The leader of a city council is asking a restaurant to apologize to nine unemployed teenagers who were turned away without explanation when they tried to get a meal.

The group from Sheffield was barred from Thomas's bistro, in York, while on a council-sponsored outing. Mr David Blunkett, leader of Sheffield council, said: "We arrange stimulating and interesping activities and the visit to York was one such

"The kids were a mixture of black and white and from working-class areas. They were hungry and wanted a meal but were flatly refused entry. It is not as though they were already in the restaurant or were causing a nuisance, they were not even allowed in."

A spokesman for the owners of the bistro. John Smith Brewery in Tadcaster, said the manager thought the party was under age. Even if the youngsters only wanted to eat, the manager had the right to exclude whom he liked, he

#### Solicitor killed woman he loved

A prosecuting solicitor for the West Yorkshire police drank himself to death after an argument during which he killed the woman he wished to marry, with a carving knife, an inquest at Windsor, Berkshire,

was told yesterday.
Mr Robert Wilson, the coroner, recorded that Miss Judith Goldthorpe, aged 33, a British Airways hostess, who lived in Sunninghill, Berkshire, was unlawfully killed and that Mr David Marshall, aged 33, of Stocksbridge, Sheffield, took his own life. The inquest was told Miss Goldthorpe was pregnant when she died.

#### Accused man took own life

Mr Kenneth Crossley, whose body was found in his exhaustfilled car at Badbury Rings, in Dorset, last Wednesday, had been due to appear at Maid-stone Crown Court later that day charged with demanding £350,000 with menaces from Safeways Foodstores.

An inquest at Poole, Dorset, yesterday at which the coroner recorded a verdict that Mr Crossley, aged 56, of Julien's Road, Wimborne, took his own life in a bout of severe depression, was told that Safeways received a blordered depression, was told that Safeways received a blackmail demand after they were told that jars of paraquat weedkiller had been placed on their shelves.

# 'No panic' for wave power

Under cross-examination by defence coursel in his libel action against The Daily Telegraph, Mr Williams said he did Scientists working to produce electricity from wave power want to continue their than be rushed into full-scale tests at sea.
In a memorandum to the

Select Committee on Energy, which met in Edinburgh yesterwhich met in Edinburgh yester-day, they said there was now an over-capacity of electricity production and renewable energy schemes did not have to be developed "in a panic".

# BA strike spreads

The strike by 2,000 British Airways ramp workers at Heathrow airport, London, spread to Edinburgh airport last night, when workers walked out in support. The British Airport Authority said other BA workers had stenand other BA workers had stepped in to do their jobs, and there were no delays or cancellations.

Rupert

proprietor of The Times and The Sunday imes, last night promised that dismissal

notices issued yesterday to 210 clerical staff would be

withdrawn if enough vol-unteers for redundancy came

forward to replace them.

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In a move designed to appeal directly to clerical employees over the heads of local union officials, the management of imes Newspapers Ltd temporarilp reopened, for clerical departments, the voluntary redundancy offer which lapsed last Thursday.

Mr. Murdoch also announced

Mr Murdoch also announced

last night that agreements covering voluntary redundancies of more than a hundred employees had been concluded with chapels in several unions.

The 210 clerical employees

all members of the National

Society of Operative Printers, Graphical and Media Person-

nel are due to receive their notices by post this morning in accordance with the deci-

sion made by the management

on Monday after the break-down of talks aimed at reach-ing agreement on voluntary cuts of 600 full-time jobs and

voluntary scheme was being

Mr Murdoch made clear that

"If the necessary volunteers come forward to replace the

people to whom we are giving notice, these notices will be

withdrawn and the people con-

cerned will be replaced by

volunteers ".

A notice distributed at

offices of both newspapers ship.

restored for a "short period

900 shifts a week.

Announcing that

Murdoch,

# £200m defence contracts axed since 1974

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

disclosed in a Whitehall note

ministry records readily avail-able " cancellation compensa-tion paid out on 17 big defence contracts valued at about personion has said not been 240m amounted to 530m. negoniated, could bring com-

It adds: "There are, in addition, 12 major contracts with a total estimated value of some £160m which have been tercost will be ".

A ministry spokesman said last night that publicity had been given to only three of the cancelled 29 projects; the MBT 80 a battle tank, in 1980; the Skyflash Missile Mark Two, in 1981, and the

When pressed for further details of cancellations, the department produced three heavyweight Sea Wolf radar; the GWS 20, the Sea Dart radar; and Stir radar, a naval system. Those three cancellations were undated.

It was suggested that there might be grounds of commer-cial confidentiality for not naming the projects, but it was agreed later that further projects might be identified if security clearance was avail-

able.

The ministry note to the select committee shows that all defence contracts, except those worth less than £50,000 or of less than nine months' duration, include a condition that gives the ministry "the right to bring the whole contract to a premaure end", for example, when a project is cancelled because of a change

in requirements.

This condition "specifies the period of notice end states the general terms for settlement of any claim arising from the termination".

Terms include ministry pur-chase of unused material which the contractor does not want to keep, payments made to subcontractors, severance pay-ments for workers who are

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beginning of the affair that

autobiography would go to

charity. Mr Williams, aged 32, of

Llansannor, South Gismorgan, is claiming damages against the newspaper, Mr William Deedes,

its editor, and Mr John Reason, its former rugby correspondent, over articles in February and

March, 1979, which alleged that he had infringed his amateur

Murdoch makes new offer to

staff over redundancies

stated: "It was not and is not

our wish that people who wished to go have to stay and that others must go who wanted nothing more than to do a good job here and he

The notice, copies of which were signed by Mr Gerald Long, TNL Managing Director,

said that the management re-

compensation terms for voluntary scheme

The notice also said, in

passage strongly contested last night by local Natsopa chapel

officers, that many clearical employees had been "actively discouraged" from applying for voluntary redundancy.

The notice went on to say that it "is false to say that anyone who applies for re-

dundancy risks losing their union membership". That

point was taken up yesterday

by Mr Murdoch, who said that

the union nationally, as dis-tinct from chapels has made

it very clear that nobody who goes out in this scheme will

not have their union card

The Natsopa rule 44, which is sometimes waived in the case of large-scale redundancies, lays down that if a mem-

thereupon cease to be a mem-

national officers that "-volun-

that it had received firm assurances from senior reers would not in this case

lose their union member-

The company said last night

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The Ministry of Defence has made redundant as a result of cancelled contracts worth termination of the contract, 200m since 1974, it has been tooling and other overhead costs directly attributable to

sent to the Commons Select the contract.

Committee on Defence.

The fact that the figures available show a compensation rate of 75 per cent, and that there are cancelled contracts worth £160m on which com-

pensation up to £150m.

| Mr John Nort, Secretary of State for Defence, yesterday rounded rithlessly on his critics in the Labour Party who fear that the high cost of the minsted but where settlements critics in the Labour Party who are still being negoriated, and its not, therefore, possible to Trident nuclear missile prosay what the total cancellation gramme will involve a dangerops rundown of conventional forces (Our Parliamentary Correspondent writes).

In a stout defence of Trident, Mr Nott told the Commons that it would cost less than any major defence capability that Britain had ever Hawkswing, a wire-guided anti-tank missile for use from running terms. Up to now the helicopters, in 1975. programme had hardly cost anything and the peak expen-diture, if the Government de-cided to go for the more expensive and bigger Trident D5, would be in the later

1980s.
That would be when the Tornado aircraft programme, now costing £11,250m had run

Mr John Silkin, Labour's defence spokesman, told Mr Nott that the Government's nuclear policy was destroying the country's conventional can-ability: But Mr Nort cold the House that, assuming the Government decided in favour of the larger Trident, there would still be a substantial real in-crease in spending on conven-tional forces.

The Royal Navy is ordering

a new frigate under British Shipbuilders' cur-price offer, Mr Nott announced yesterday The frigate is the eighth in Court told of attack

The frigate is the eighth in the £120m Type-22 Broadsword class, which the Navy is supposed to be abandoning in favour of the Type-23. But British Shipbuilders, anxious to keep their workforce in business, offered to take £6m off the total cost of a seventh end eighth Type-22 if the Navy eighth Type-22 if the Navy would order them. The seventh has already been ordered and now the ministry has added number eight.

#### 'NO MENTION **HAUGHEY OF CASH FACES TO CHARITY** REVOLT J. P. R. Williams, Wales's most capped rugby player, told a High Court libel jury yester-day that he regretted his hand-ling of the "shamateurism" affair which once threatened

From Our Correspondent Dublin

Plans to supplant Mr Charles Haughey as leader of Fianna Fail, the Irish opposition party, are to surface at a meeting of the parliamentary party tomor-row. Dissatisfied party menbers are expected to meet in Dublin tonight. A large number of Deputies,

probably a majority, believe that the poor showing of the party in last week's general election was a result of popular disenchantment with Mr Haughey.

In opinion polls on the day leading up to polling Mr Haughey trailed in popularity by 20 percentage points behind Dr Garrer FitzGerald, the Fine Gael leader, despite an overall Fianna Fail lead.

tatus by accepting money for the book. Libel is denied. Mr Richard Hardey, QC, for Mr Williams, had told Mr Jus-The dissident group within the party is promoting Mr Des O'Malley, a Limerick deputy and a former Minister for Trade and Industry. Another tice Russell and the jury that the allegations could have politician cited as a possible candidate is Dr Martin O'Donoghue, who is seen as a compromise. He is the finance driven the full back and former Welsh captain out of the game; but he was cleared by a Welsh Rugby Union investigation.
The hearing continues today.

A management spokesman said he understood that the agreements referred to by Mr Murdoch involved the Natsopa branch of Revisers, Ink and

Roller Makers and Auxiliaries,

one Society of Graphical and Allied Trades chapel, National Graphical Association stereo

employees and the Society of

Mr Murdoch said that while the management had been nego-nating with other groups in

some cases for several days or weeks, it had been trying to negotiate with Natsopa clerical

employees for the past 12 months and had been frus-

He added: "We are not turn-ing anyone out. We are trying to negotiate a settlement here

to make this place economic

and viable and save these two newspapers. . . We are trying to save 2,000 jobs." Asked if

he believed the papers would continue to publish, he added: "I reserve judgment on that

The management is hoping to begin negotiations over the

next two or three days with

other key chapels where agree-

ments have still not been con-

cluded, including NGA and Natsopa machine areas. The

Sunday Times Natsopa machine

assistants' representatives are

to meet the management to-

for another week ".

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# Petronia Lashiy, Lillian McGinn and Cathryn Lawton, all parents of St Saviour pupils and (right) Mr Michael Storey, chairman of the education committee.

# Terror school headmaster 'shattered'

The headmastr of the Liverpupils aged nie to 11 was described yestrday as a "shattered man". Mr Nichael Strey, chairman

mr Nichael Strey, chairman of Liverpool Eucation Committee, said Mr Colin McLoughlin, the head of St Saviour's Church of England primary school, in Toxteth, had asked for sck leave and early retirement in July from the school, where pupils burnt books, smashed winows, terrorized vounger, pupils and rorized younger, pupils and daubed teachers cars with canteen swill.

Mr Storey's anouncement came as Mr Margaret Thatcher said sie was "very concerned abou events at the school, and as a teacher's union leader gave a warning that many teachers in Toxteth, scene of one of last year's riots, were excling under the strain of teaching in its schools. schools. Mrs Thatcher told the Com-

mous at ourstien time that "parents and all citizens have a duty both to teach the principle of liw and order and to see that it is upheld".

on blacks

By Lucy Hodges

Two days before a group of black youths raded a public house in Thoman Heath,

south London, and later killed

a white teenager, some young blacks had been attacked out-side the same public house, the Central Criminal Court

Mr Peter Marren, a barman at the Wilton Arms, said that Robert Kennett, a skinhead who wore a Nazional Front tattoo, had led ah attack on

fattoo, had led an attack on four blacks in a car.

Two days later, on June 1 last, a gang of black youths raided the Wilton Arms. Mr Kennett and other customers were injured and later Mr Terence May, aged 19, died The trial was held up yester-day when a jurye said these held.

day when a jurce said that she was related by marriage to a defence berrister. She was dis-

charged and the whole jury was sworn in again. The 15 defendants have denied taking part in a riot.

Seven deny charges of murdering Mr May.
The case continues today.

was told yesterday.

pool school which was would fight strenuously any terrorized and randalized by reduction in policing of the pupils aged nie to 11 was area "in these difficult days." Mr Store ysaid that the events he dobviously made Mr McLoughlin. He was a man who had given a lifetime of service to education, much of it at St Saviour's "He is a shattered man the trouble has driven him to despair."

One other teacher at the school, which at one-to-16 has one of the best teacher pupil

ratios in the country, is under medical treatment, and yesterday Mr James Ferguson, secretary of the National Union of Teachers in Liverpool, said many were cracking under the

"In Toxteth teachers are screaming for help", he said. "Many o fthem seem to be very near nervous breakdown. "In some schools we have up to 25 per cent of the staff off ill. "Most teachers do not last longer than two years after they retire, because of high blood pressure, but now some do not even reach retirement age.

As Mr Storey promised more staff fo rthe school when it

to an agreement with the Gov-ernment on the introduction

of new technology, but the two

sides are still in disagreement over the terms of reference for

rbitration to settle this year's

The unions rejected the

Government's pay offer to 520,000 white collar staff, ranging from a nil increase to 5.5

per cent for the settlement due on April 1, and have opted

to go direct to arbitration.

The nine unions and the

Treasury, which now handles Civil Service pay, cannot agree terms of reference for the

arbitration tribunal and it is likely that the hearing will take place on the basis of dis-

The Governments' "market

forces offer to civil servants, which is directed towards giv-

ing the largest increases to

recruitment difficulties, fails well short of the claim submit-

ted by the unions for 13 per

groups of staff where there are ster writes).

ten by the unions for 13 per cent increases.

The interim agreement on the introduction of new rechnology in government departments will be mainly for presentational recommendations of the federation, who questioned is whether affiliation to any party is wise in an era of rapid political change.

The debate is being con-

pay claim.

puted terms,

The Government, she said, extended half-term closure, parents were bebing called to a crisis meeting with the staff, and police were investigating whether there were any links with last summer's riots. The Society of Teachers Opposed to Physical Punishment (Stopp), said yesterday that excessive caning had provoked the trouble.

Mr. Tom Scott, the society's secretary, said: "In the incident that sparked off the riot in the school, seven children were subjected to amass can-ing. We have information that this is not he first am groups of children have been caned." A girl aged nine at the school said yesterday that she had been threatened many had been threatened many times by older children, boys and girls of ten and eleven, demanding 60p a week "pro-tection money". The girl, who has three sisters aged eight, seven and four, all at the school, is an assimatic, and said she was often beaten because she did not have the 60p to pay. Her mother said her fears

often brought on serious asthma attacks. The girl said she had been happy there, reopens on Monday after an from the nursery class at the

Computer pact in Whitehall

By David Felton, Labour Reporter

value and is unlikely to have

any immediate effect because

the main systems that the

Government wants to introduce

will not be ready for some

run for two years and is un-likely to affect the introduction

of computers into the Paye tax system, which is not due for completion until the latter part

The Government has agreed that there will be no compulsory redundancies as a result of the introduction of new

technology.

Dissatisfaction over the out-

come of last year's Civil Service pay dispute has led to a re-vived debate in the Ioland

Revenue Staff Federation, with

58,000 members, over whether

Opposition has come from

Lord Houghton of Sowerby, a former general secretary of the

it should set up a political fund cratic Party."
with the aim of affiliating to The union

of the decade.

The interim agreement will

age of three, until last year, when "nasty things" started to happen

leave after school-hours.

Local authorities, the Schools Inspectorate and teacher unions were united yesterday in believing that they had never come across anything resembling the break-down at St Saviour's (Our Edu-cation Correspondent writes). No one could remember a school having to close because of disruptive action by pupils, except in cases of arson. School violence and vandalism appear to have levelled off, since the rise in the early 1970s.

The inspectorate, in their

members that their pay and

Government has said that it reserves the right to overturn

any arbitration award that is

made by putting it to Parlia-ment. If that happened it would be explosive."

Lord Houghton writing in Taxes, says: "My own ap-proach is one of the strongest

class interests

Another parent said her con

for a few minutes.

NMR spectroscopy makes use of the fact that the nuclei of certain atoms aged 10 had stolen 10 from his father to pay protection money, and the caretaker of the school, Mr Cyril Kami, aged 25, said he believed that teachers were fortunate to behave as tiny magnets aligning their magnetic moments tither with or against an applied magnetic field. The nuclei can absorb Nobody has seen

# anything like it'

survey two years ago of sec-ondary schools, found that "the very great majority were from any serious troubles".

held. The nuclei can absorb radiowave energy to flip from one alignment to another. Analysis provides detailed information on the nature and amount of the chemical species with magnetic nuclei.

The decision to use NMR to investigate the true interto investigate the two sisters

was taken after one sister suffered her worst attack of muscular weakness and sickness. Hospital tests after the attack showed absormthe attack showed abaomally high blood levels of lactic acid, a chemical that normally accumulates during exercise and is thought to be a cause of muscle fatigue.

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Science report

Mystery of

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By the staff of "Nature"

The reason why two sisters have been unable since early

childhood to run more than

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ing fatigue and nausea has

been discovered by a new application of an old

Nuclear magnetic reson

ance spectroscopy (NMR) has been used by chemists for

many years to work out how atoms are linked together

in molecules. Now Dr George

Radda and his colleagues in

laboratories and hospitals

in Oxford and London have

reported the detection of the abnormal biochemical meta-

bolism of the tissues of the sisters by the harmless pro-cedure of placing their fore-

arm within an NMR machine

sisters'

muscles when they are unable to obtain oxygen fast enough to burn up the sugars that are their main source of energy. It therefore seemed likely that the sisters' unusual lack of stamina lay in a defect in the metabolic reactions which

energize muscles. A central role in such reactions is played by mole-cules which contain phos-phorus. Since the common isotope of phosphorus, "P; ducted through the columns of the federation's journal, Taxes.
Mr John Willman, its editor, has a magnetic nucleus, it was feasible to use NMR said yesterday: "After what spectroscopy to measure the levels of molecules contain-ing phosphorus in the happened last year there is a growing feeling among our ing phosphorus in the muscular tissue of the sisters conditions have moved into the political arena. This year the

before and after exercise. Compared to spectra from healthy individuals, those of the sisters clearly an abnormal response
The levels of high-energy molecules in phosphate molecules in their muscles dropped very rapidly and recovered only very slowly after exercise.
The slow speed of regeneration of high energy molecules accounts for the
muscular fatigue of the
sisters and fits well with the

doubt whether the control of a political party by trade union money and power is desirable at all. Both the Labour and Conservative parties represent fact that one of them is deficient in an enzyme of the regenerative mechanisms. The union block vote at Only recently have spectro-Labour conferences was scarcely the representative voice of their members on conallow the applications of NMR to the study of human blochemical disease. The great advantage of this technique is that it is completely barmless. It does however, require sophisti-cated and expensive machinery. The question now is whether studies such

reaction in the country against our class-dominated and finsuced two-party system. This is showing itself in the dramatic upsurge of the Social Demoas those of Dr Radda and his colleagues will prove that the clinical value of NMR spectroscopy is sufficient to justify the purchase of spectrometers by hospitals. Source: Nature vol. 295 page 608, 18 Feb., 1981. Nature-Times News Service

# Hard times at the Round House in protest at rate rise



Thelma Holt, the director, outside the Round House yesterday. Below, right: The theatre in its original form as the New Great Circular Engine House.

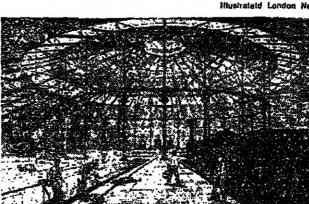
By David Hewson

The arts venue originally built as an engine shed by Robert Stephenson, the railway engineer, faces bankrauptcy be-cause of uncertainty over local authority grants. The Round House Theatre is in Camden, north London, which started life in 1847 and later served as a wine store and factory before being turned to more aesthetic matters, may close in a matter of weeks, Thelma Holt, its director, said yester-

It is not the first time financial difficulties have struck the unlikely venue, which is normally used for performances by international theatre companies and orchestras, occasionally brightened by more bizarre performances.

Vanessa Redgrave spent memorable period in the building surrounded by a large pool Mr Barry Fitzpatrick, father of The Sunday Times Natsopa clerical chapel, said the latest of water for The Lady from The Sea, and a production by move was an attempt to pressure "people who have been through a hell of a lot over the last few years". He added: "I think ir will fail miserably." the Science Fiction Theatre of Liverpool featured a live goat and a cast given to leaping into the audience offering free marijuana cigarettes.

But Miss Holt said the latest from rates from the Loudon



crisis was more serious and Borough of Camden pressing than any the Round House had faced. "There is no The Arts Council is expected to increase its grant by about point in my hiding the fact that 6 per cent this year, but the GLC and Camden are undecided we are in dire straits. I could about how much to give.

Miss Holt denied that she not pay my bills if I were asked to tomorrow."

The veque, which is run by a charitable trust, blames its difficulties on uncertainties was trying to rush the authorities into an early decision. She said she had made them aware over its grant income. Last year it received £90,000 from since May that the theatre had financial problems. the Arts Council, £20,000 from the Greater London Council and £10,000 and an exemption

Foco Novo; a visiting company, opens at the Round House tonight with Bertolt

# **Employers**

From Craig Seton Bristol

Chairmen, managing direc-tors and senior executives of some of the largest industries in Avon uncharacteristically rook to the streets of Bristol yesterday in protest against a proposed rates rise of just under 40 per cent, which is due to be approved by the county council tomorrow. Nearly eighty of them, in

suits and ties and clearly feeling the cold, picketed the offices of the Labour-controlled Avon County Council, politely handing out leaflets saying that the 39.8 per cent increase could force some of them our of business and increase unemployment

The unlikely but well be-haved display of managers' militancy was organized by the south-west region of the Confederation of British Industry as part of a last-ditch campaign, as they call it, to stop the rise, which the CBI says will take an additional £18.25m from industry and commerce

A full-page advertisement in the local morning newspaper was also published yesterday giving the names and telephone numbers of every member of the county council and asking people to ring them to protest at the rates rise. The Labour group insists that the rise has been forced on it by fierce government cuts in the rate support grant.
The protesters began after a

working breakfast at a four star hotel and kept up their picket throughout the day. There were no banners or

placards.
Mr John Main, the south-west chairman of the CBI, said it had gone extremely well. He was clearly aware of the publicity power of such a demonstration, inevitably dubbed the "pinstripe protest". But he insisted that it

had a serious point.

Mr Main said the proposed rise in Avon compared with only 6.9 per cent for Somerset, 9.6 per cent for Gloucester-shire and 13.9 per cent for Wiltshire.

# SDP FIGHTS 19 SEATS IN WALES

By Philip Webster Political Reporter

National negotiators of the Liberal and Social Democratic parties were hopeful last night that they would come close to meeting their March 31 deadline for the division of parlamentary seats.

Guarded optimism was evident in both camps as negoti-ators in Cardiff formally signed an agreement under which the SDP will fight 19 of the Welsh parliamentary seats and the Liberals 17. And the national negotiators, after their fort-nightly meeting in London, announced provisional deals for the 16 seats in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight and 25 seats in the West Midlands.

The greatest relief was being voiced over the comparatively speedy settlement in Wales, although it was not achieved without some bitches. The Liberals will contest Barry, Caernaryon and Brecon and Radnor, on all of which the SDP had set their sights, but in return the SDP will fight Anglesey, which is regarded as a prime target, and Pembroke, held by Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales. Mr Thomas Ellis, Social

Democrat MP for Wrexham, who led the SDP team, said: Concessions have been made on both sides to get the best possible balance of candipossible dates ".

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# Bill may tighten jury rules to bar criminals

the courts were making more use of section 53.

urged the Government to

of prison department establishments. Mr Kilroy-Silk was speak-

department

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent The Government is considering action to tighten qualifications for jury service because of growing concern about convicted criminals being allowed to sit on juries. Police and barristers are also worried about an increase on the number of times jurors are being aptimes jurors are being approached to be asked to give not guilty verdicts.

borstal training is disquali-fied for 10 years.

People can still serve when they receive a suspended sentence of imprisonment, or community service, or a fine, even if the offence of which they are convicted could Association expressed con-cern at the lack of suitable accommodation for those-detained under section 53 and

That means, for example, that a burglar who was fined on a rapist given a suspended sentence could serve on a affairs group of MP's of jury at the trial of another which Mr Kilroy-Silk is burglar or rapist the next chairman, urged the Government to group of the country of the

he would refuse to take the of oath when called for jury est

service next month.

He had convictions for theft, deception and drunkenness and had been in jail for non-paymeny of fines, but Lyon, Labour MP for York, was still elgible for jury service because each sensor tence was for less than three Persons Act, 1933.

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able period to anyone con-victed of an offence that

her Majesty's pleasure for years of more but not life life or for a period decreed were 414, of whom 353 had by the Home Secretary for been sentenced since 1972 offences such as murder, and 266 since 1976. offences such as murder, and 266 since 1976.
manslaughter or robbery has occurred in the past decade, Mr Patrick Mayhew, Minister Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk, of State at the Home Office, Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk, of State at the Home Office, Labour MP for Ormskirk, said there would be a lacuna

# Police may **face 20%** cutback in manpower

By Richard Evans Police forces in some of Britain's provincial cities may face manpower cuts of

may face manpower cuts of up to 20 per cent because of restrictive. Government expenditure targets, Mr Jack Smart, chairman of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, said yesterday. He told the association's quarterly meeting in London: "There is no way in which the metropolitan counties can get anywhere near the

can get anywhere near the government expenditure target without making large cuts in the police forces. "If police expenditure is to bear its full share of the cuts there will have to be severe reductions in police manpower, perhaps in some instances by as much as 20 per cent."

Although the Government section were placed in community homes, 11 in youth treatment centres and 27 in penal establishments.

In 1979 the Magistrates'

has transferred £13m from the budget of the Metropoli-tan Police for 1982-83 to provincial forces, Mr Smart said that there was still a 19 per cent increase in expenditure in the Metropolitan Police, "compared with 3 per

cent in Merseyside."
The Labour-controlled The Labour-controlled AMA represents the Greater London Council and the metropolitan councils of Merseyside. Greater Manchester, West and South Yorkshire, Tyne and Wear and the West Midlands.

In spite of Mr Smart's warning about

In spite of Mr Smart's warning about manpower cutbacks, two Metropolitan county councils have trimmed their police budget without loss of jobs.

West Midlands is losing f2.2m form its budget of f115m; but a spokesman said last night that the biggest savings would involve reduced police overtime.

duced police overtime.

Merseyside has reduced its police spending by £3m to £83.5m. Instead of reducing

manpower that authority is reducing the number of vehicles it planned to buy and is not taking on any new He said that since 1933 the recruits this year.

#### Norwich to sell off houses again

☐ Norwich City Council has again been entrusted with the job of selling its council houses after losing a court action against Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, who took over the sales. (our if section 53 was repealed. It Norwich writes)

an extra 12 staff and hoes to clear the backlog of 850 houses by the end of march



Slippery customers: Children in Southwark, south-east London, trying out an artificial ice skating surface made of a new plastic, on display at the north Peckham Civic Centre until today

# Blacks to form new civil rights body

By Lucy Hodges

A black civil rights movement, including a scheme to decision in June, 1980, to set help people arrested at any time of the day or night, is to be an alliance. That came to be launched in Britain. In nothing though its inception June a conference with was well publicized partly speakers from the United because delegates called at States will be held in London, the same time for blacks to be the chief speaker. be the chief speaker. The setting up of Black Rights (UK) is announced in

Mr Kadri said yesterday that the organizers of the present campaign had learn this week's Caribbean Times.
Black organizations are invited to apply to take part in its formation. A meeting is to their lesson. Black Rights (UK) would not attempt to represent black communities but would act as a pressure group and provide a service for blacks. be held on Saturday at the offices of the newspaper in Finsbury Park, north Lon-

The group will be all black, he said, in contrast to a recent initiative launched by The initiative has come up a legal service for blacks.

Some observers are some what sceptical about whether Black Rights (UK) will succeed. There have been a number of attempts in the past to set up a civil rights movement. They have found dered on the mutual sus-picion of black organizations.

# **Doctors** not to be charged

By Annabel Ferriman
The Director of Public Prosecutions will not bring charges against two doctors alleged to have carried out illegal abortions.

Professor Peter Huntingford, former Professor of Obstetrics at the London Hospital, Mile End, and an unnamed doctor were referred to the DPP by the Department of Health and Social Security for failing to fill in new abortion forms correctly. correctly.

correctly.

The new forms require a statement of "medical grounds" for an abortion. The old forms required only social grounds.

Sir Michael Havers, QC, the Attorney General, said on Monday that no charges would be brought because the doctors told the police there were medical grounds for the abortions.

for the abortions.

Professor Huntingford denies that and says he will continue to ignore requests for medical grounds when carrying out abortions for social reasons.

# MP blames Whitehall for viaduct blackspot

The Department of Transport is trying to take central control of maintenance and repair on the country's motorway blackspot, the 13 miles of M6 and M5 viaducts in and around Brimingham.

But Mr Jeffrey Rooker, Labour MP for Birmingham, Perry Bar, said last night that Whitehall civil servants had been responsible for the original blunders which had caused so much inconcontrol of maintenance and

caused so much incon-venience to drivers and expense for the taxpayer. "This is the crunch issue", he said. "The whole thing is falling apart and its costing a fortune. Who is going to get the work; the builders who built it or the builders who repaired it the first time round?"

A spokesman for the department said that it was department said that it was not known precisely how much the elevated structures of the Midlands links motorways had cost by the time of completion 10 years ago, although Mr Rooker put it at

about f1m a mile.
Since then the department said, about £12.6m had been spent on repairs to the viaducts. Altogether 57 steel beams, underpinning the motorway, have "dropped" by up to three quarters of an inch because of faults in

mortar.

Mr Kenneth Clarke, UnderSecretary of State at the
department, has told Mr
Rooker in a Commons
written reply that the West
Midlands County Council had
been approached with a
suggestion "that the highly
specialized task of maintaining the structural part of the ing the structural part of the viaducts on the Midlands links motorways should in future be excluded from our agreement agency them".

That means that the de-partment will take direct repsonsibility for the repairs to the motorway, "deck, and to the motorway, "deck, and below deck", including work on beams, bearings and pillars, but not routine resur-

The department would let the work out to contractors rather than allow the West Midlands Coundty Council to let the work out to contractors; but control of the work done would be much more

closely scrutinized.

Mr Rooker said that all the difficulties of the system, including the so-called spa-

**NEWS IN** SUMMARY

# College rent rise blow to traders

Traders in Oxford's High Street say they are being forced out of business by demands for higher rents from Oxford colleges which own their buildings. (Our Oxford Correspondent writes).

Mrs Laurie Leigh, an antique dealer, says Queen's Colleges wants to raise her rent from £1,600 a year to £10,500. She has written to E10,500. She has written to Lord Blake, Provost of Queen's to protest at the college's callousness and irresponsibility.

Most of the buildings in the street are owned by colleges, insurance companies or pension funds. A hairdresser Roland of Swit-

hairdresser, Roland of Swit-zerland, moved out and made three people redundant after a pension fund raised his rent from £2,000 to £10,000 a year. Mr Nicholas Dimsdale,

bursar of Queen's, said the college was concerned about its traders but had to take market rents into account.

#### Student denies throwing eggs

Alastair Dow, aged 21, a student of Claremont, Alloa, denied throwing two eggs at the Prime Minister's car when he appeared at Edin-burgh Sheriff court yester-

day.

He also pleaded not guilty to conducting himself in a disorderly manner and committing a breach of the peace on May 16 last in Edinburgh. The trial was fixed for July 26.

EEC loan for airport A loan of £2m was granted by the European Economic Community yesterday towards an expansion pro-gramme at Birmingham airgramme at Birmingham airport. It is the first EEC aid towards the £50m construction of a new terminal building, aprons, taxiways, car parks and ancillary services intended to be finished in 1924. More aid is ished in 1984. More aid is

Siege chief promoted

expected later.

Mr John Dellow, aged 50, the police officer in com-mand of the Iranian embassy difficulties of the system, including the so-called spage ghetti junctions at Gravelly Hill, had been caused by the original ministry cost-cutting design and a lack of proper supervision in the work done. Office announced yesterday.

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# Ben Nevis, the venomous one Why climbers risk avalanches

By Ronald Faux

The 1,000ft high cliffs on the north side of Ben Nevis may appear darkly forbidding to a layman, particularly when they are streaked with ice and when the steep gulleys between the buttress-es are choked with unstable

There is added menace from cornices formed by the wind as it whips across the lip of the summit ridge. Spindrift freezes into long cantilevers, which span out until they break under their own weight and thunder downwards.

Some believe the ancient

meaning of Nevis is the venomous one. After a week in which five people have died and six hae been badly injured on the mountain that derivation seems cruelly apt.

During some years Ben
Nevis has its head in cloud
for 300 days. It may be swept

conditions Arctic.

Yet to a climber those forbidding cliffs are very attractive. There are more than 60 routes up the gulleys buttresses of rock, by freezing winds, making and buttresses of rock, including the Tower Ridge, a 1,900ft climb first completed in the winter of 1894. The north face of the mountain

has been a magnet to mountaineers ever since.

The recent tragedies have raised questions about whether there should be better warning of dangerous conditions in the hills; but the general opinion among Scottish mountaineers remains firmly that good training and experience are the surface snow was disturbed by the climbers it slid down, taking them with it and burying some. taineers ever since.

separate service to the East Midlands would take months

rather than weeks to resolve.

He agreed that it was possible the delay could be of "indeterminate length" but said the company was still committed to starting the service.

Earlier this month, against

Television dispute 'may

take months to resolve'

From Arthur Osman, Nottingham

Mr Robert Phillis, managing director of Central Independent Television, admitted yesserday that a solution to the problems that have delayed the launch of its separate service to the Fact



Mr William Myles, secre-

at least sevenfold, yet the accident rate has remained at about the same level", he

Freak snow conditions caused the latest accidents. Mr Myles hoped that BBC Radio Scotland would resume its weekend broadcasts of mountain condition reports given by local experts from a of centres in the

Highlands. People, he said, did not always grasp how serious and how severe Scottish con-

and burying some.

or Phillis insisted that the company had no intention of starting full operations in the East Midlands until firm agreements had been reached with various unions on relocation of staff, a common redundance may mante

redundancy payments scheme and working arrange-

ments, terms and conditions for its new studios at Nottingham, which it is hoped will start transmitting

A condition by the Inde-pendent Broadcasting Auth-ority when allocating the Midlands contract to CIT was

late next year.

payments

status.

The view that it was up to individuals to decide whether to climb or retreat was taken up by Mr Fred Harper, principal of Glenmore Lodge, the mountain training centre in the Cairngorms, which has 1,000 students a year on winter courses on which avalanche dangers are avalanche

taught. Measuring the risk was a scientific business that no mountain centre in Britain was equipped to undertake.

"In the Alps specific Mr William Myles, secretary of the Mountaineering Council of Scotland, was certain that warnings had been given about avalanche danger; but not everyone had been aware of them.

"Over the last 15 years the number of people coming to the mountains has increased at least sevenfold yet the

"The patrols say that they have to fly it to avoid being sued by anyone caught in an avalanche when it was not

But there was another, even more important, element in the equation. Climbers might be taught to judge conditions and to decide that the risk was dangerous; but they might still climb on. Persone they still climb on. Perpaps they had driven several hundred miles to do the climb and

were loath to retreat. The extra sense of objective danger might increase their determination. Sir Geofirey Winthrop said: "Mountain climbing is an adventure. There can be no adventure without uncertainty and increase of the contract of the cont without uncertainty of its result, and in good adventure there is also an element of risk, even of danger to life."

> **COUNTY IN PLEA FOR**

**STATUS** 

West Yorkshire County Council is afraid that if it loses intermediate area status for its textile and coalfield

areas next August the effect

areas next August the effect will prejudice the county's claim for EEC assistance. In a submission to Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Industry, the coun-ty says employment in the coalfield and textile areas has

deteriorated so much that the Government should reverse

the plan to withdraw the

In the case of textiles the

# type faces

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

Forensic scientists have devised a new way of identi fying the machine on which a letter or document of unknown origin has been written. That type of investigation has become more time-consuming and more difficult with the addition of electronic typewriters and word processors to the range of machines to be taken into

The process was developed by specialists at the Home

more than 3,000 specimens or type which have been col-lected from equipment avail-able for up to seventy years. The machines include early Hammond and Mignon models, British-made mach ines of the 1940s and 1950s such as Imperial, Oliver and Royal Barlock, and today's

analysis was based on exam-ining a few key features of the printed characters. They included studying the lower case letters w.t.a and g; classifying styles into a broad division of elite, pica or shaded style; and dividing the

because some documents contain few or or even none of the key features of the existing means of classifi-

system of coding and in the computer programme where-by the data bank can be searched.

British Rail is offering a £3

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# EDUCATION FOR CAPABILITY

There is a serious imbalance in Britain today in the full process which is described by the two words 'education' and 'training'. The idea of the 'educated person' is that of a scholarly individual who has been neither educated nor trained to exercise useful skills; who is able to understand but not to act. Young people in secondary or higher education increasingly specialise, and do so too often in ways which mean that they are taught to practise only the skills of scholarship and science. They acquire knowledge of particular subjects, but are not equipped to use knowledge in ways which are relevant to the world outside the education system.

This imbalance is harmful to individuals, to industry and to society. A well-balanced education should, of course, embrace analysis and the acquisition

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of knowledge. But it must also include the exercise of creative skills, the competence to undertake and complete tasks and the ability to cope with everyday life; and also doing all these things in co-operation with others.

There exists in its own right a culture which is concerned with doing, making and organising and the creative arts. This culture emphasises the day to day management of affairs, the formulation and solution of problems and the design, manufacture and marketing of goods and services.

Educators should spend more time preparing people in this way for a life outside the education system. The country would benefit significantly in economic terms from what is here described as Education for Capability.

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# **RECOGNITION SCHEME 1982**

The Society is promoting Education for Capability in a number of ways. One of these is to run its Recognition Scheme, now in its third year. The purpose of the Scheme is to identify,

encourage and publicise educational programmes designed to help people, whether school pupils, students or adults, to learn how to live and work more effectively. Applications will be welcomed both from all parts of the education system, and from public and

1981 Recognition Scheme certificates went to: the work of Lewknor Primary School, Oxfordshire; the senior work project at Belstead Special School, Ipswich, Suffolk; the Portland workshop project at Portland Comprehensive School, Worksop, Nottinghamshire; Forest School Camps; Shire Training Workshops at Stroud, Gloucestershire; the Postern Progra at Dartington Hall, Devon; the Service Away from Home Scheme, sponsored by Community Service Volunteers, London; voluntary bodies and industrial and commercial enterprises, from within the United Kingdom. If you wish to seek Recognition from the Society for a programme which aims at the objectives of Education for Capability, please write for particulars of the Scheme (for which the closing date is 10 May 1982) to: Timothy Cantell, Education for Capability, Royal Society

creative problem-solving in the Civil Engineering degrees a: Middlesex Polytechnic, the Master of Science degree course in Environmental Resources at the University of Salford; the educational programme of Artlaw Services Ltd., London; and the draft guidelines for building education projects prepared by Sergei Kadleigh, Bristol. Eight of the eleven projects recognised by the Society were given small grants totalling

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county council has received "informal assurances" from month in an attempt to win the European Commission mouth in an attempt to that early assistance could be back passengers after

#### a background of new union demands and a projected £2m loss in its first 15 months, Mr Phillis said the company was not prepared to absorb the escalating costs of operating Nottingham by secondment. That meant an end to a situation where technicians on secondment franchise region with studios in Nottingham and Birmingon secondment from the

not guilty verdicts.

Under the present law there is a lifetime's disqualification from jury service for people who are given a custodial sentence of five years or more. Anyone who has finished a sentence of three months or more or had borstal training is disqualification from jury service for ers sentenced under that section were placed in October, 1981, showed that 24 young people sentenced under that section were placed in comm-

carry a custodial sentence urged the which would disqualify them. take action.

week.
Last week a man who had served six prison sentences said disturbed juveniles" instead

service next month.

months.

The Criminal Justice Bill, ment, Mr Lyon said that the new Bill made the section redundant. It brought in a change. One way for the Government to tighten the to imprisonment for those rules would be to extend disqualification, for a suitable period to anyone consisted of an offence that

could be punishable on indictment with imprison-ment.

A startling increase in the number of young offenders sentenced to be detained at terms of imprisonment of 14 total number of young people under 18 detained at her Majesty's pleasure was 194.

Those under 17 sentenced for offences which would carry sentenced to be detained at terms of imprisonment of 14 total people.

said yesterday.

He told the committee would mean that sentences examining the Criminal Justice Bill that 80 offenders under the age of 18 were would be limited to 12 sentenced under section 53 of months.

from the Caribbean Times and from Mr Rudy Narayan, the barrister from Guyana who writes a legal column for the newspaper. Mr Roy Sawh, a race relations vet-eran, and Mr Sibghat Kadri, a barrister and co-chairman of Correspondent

The council is to take on

# Computer can trace

the Society of Black Law-

Moves to form the move-ment have taken place in

account

Office forensic science lab-oratories at Birmingham and Aldermaston and is described in the Journal of the Forensi in the journal of the rorensa: Science Society. It depends on the ability of a computer to analyse more facets of the type styles of machines than has hitherto been practical.

Methods of analysis evolved over the past 40 years rely on the scrutiny of more than 3,000 specimens of

utomatic disigns.
The established method of

numerals into a category of short or long tails. Under the new scheme 30 features are measured, cover-ing general style and letter spacing, and certain upper and lower case letters, figures and signs. The range of analysis has been extended

cation.

After the characteristics to be studied had been chosen samples of text were obtained for each of the models and entered into a computer data bank according to a code which gives and individual description to each item. The innovation over the traditional scheme lies in this

In a letter to Mr Jenkin Mr John Gunnell, leader of the county council, says in spite of two years of pleas by West Yorkshire the Government has been unresponsive. BR's £3 ticket

go-anywhere ticket to pensioners throughout next

passing that his "push game at a stroke. That's what we been his life. His memories and Charlen in his about it matched later by Bobby

# Frigate ordered: Nott defends carriers sale

An order had been placed today with Yarrow Shipbuilders for the eighth Broadside class frigate at a total estimated cost £120m, Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, announced during question time exchanges in the Commons when he defended the decision to sell the carrier HMS

Invincible to Australia.

He explained that Britain could not afford to deploy the air defence and anti-submarine escorts that would be necessary to protect carriers. It is better (he said) that we keep two in service rather than three and spend the rest of the money on the frigate force.

Mr Nott explained that including the new frigate order, he would have placed orders for warships with British Shipbuilders in the current financial year to a a total ralue, including their weapons,

Rounding on his backbenchers he added: Can we please have from some Conservative MP's a little less about a shortage of warship building orders.

Asked for a statement on the role of carriers in the fleet, Mr Nott said. The primary role of our carriers would be to conduct anti-submarrier our carriers would be to conduct anti-submarine operations in the Eastern Atlantic. In the next few years we intend to make particular use of our carriers in deployment outside the Nato

Mr Michael Brotherton (Leuth, C): In the light of that reply, would he agree that the coming into commission of HM ships illustrious and Ark Royal will make a significant contribution to the fleet? Bearing in mind the role played by HMS Invincible in the Autumnal exercise by Nato, to dispose of Invincible now would be an act of folly detrimental to the national interest. (Some Conservative

Mr Nott: To bring him up to date, our discussions with the Australians have envisaged a hand-over of Invincible towards hand-over of Invincible towards the end of 1983 when Illustrious will be operational. We also intend to run on Hermes until Ark Royal joins the fleet in 1985. We expect a decision by the Australians by the end of the month. If they prefer a later date in 1985 when Ark Royal is in service, we will naturally consider the matter. I would like to debate the role of the carrier, but it is more than we would expect in answer to a question. in answer to a question.

Mr. Patrick Duffy (Sheffield, Atterchiffe, Lab): Given the critical shortage in Saclast of carriers and the interdependence of anti-submarine warfare oper-ations on the surface as well as selow and in the air, is he satisfied with the present comp-lement of carriers of no more than three and perhaps only two?

It is better to try to obtain £175m, which is what would go into the naval programme if we

in reserve. Carriers make heavy demands on supporting anti-submarine and anti-defence es-

Royal Australian Navy, this will British soil whether effectively balve the numbers of British or American? effectively naive the numbers of these valuable anti-submarine warfare vessels on station at any bury. C): Has any European given moment. Many MPs are strongly opposed to his propesed chemical weapons to be stationed

Mr Nott: No. I cannot confirm Mr Nott: There is no proposal at that I envisaged three carriers being in service. In the White Paper it was clearly stated that there would be two in service. It is a question of how we can best dispose of our naval resources in acting in the Eastern Atlantic.
The United States has an

The United States has an enormous Navy — ours would be the third most powerful in the world — and we cannot afford to deploy the air defence and antisubmarine escorts that would be necessary to protect the could be It is better that we keep two in service rather than three and spend the rest of the money on the frigate force.

Mr Hilary Miller (Bromsgrove and Redditch, C)? How is this country to sustain its Nato role in the Eastern Atlantic in antisubmarine operations?
Would he take an earl opportunity, outside this Rous

opportunity, dutate this rouse; if necessary, to explain his concept of anti-submarine ware-fare and how we are to meet our responsibilities in the light of the planned disposal of Invincible and the reduction in the number of the frigate fleet of the hunter-liller submarine? killer submarine? Mr Nott said he was placing

today an order with the Yarrow shipyard for the eighth Broad-side class frigate at a total estimated cost of about £120m. This will enable us (he said) to take advantage of the reduced price offer expiring at the end of this month — (Laughter) — which will secure a saving, with the seventh frigate we ordered the other day and this one, of about 55m.

#### Chemicals from behind closed Russian doors

It was time for MPs to concentrate on the threat from Soviet chemical weapons instead of criticizing Britain's American allies, Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, said. Pressed Mr Nott: The carriers make heavy demands. We said in the Defence White Paper of June that we envisaged two carriers being in service. If we had to retain a third carrier, she would go into reserve.

The said in trying to get a ben on the manufacture of chemical weapons, he said them on British soil.

We have taken the lead the said in trying to get a ben on the manufacture of chemical weapons, but the Soviet Union, pons but the Soviet Union, because it has a massive lead in

in Europe, and has 60,000 troops trained to use them while Nato possesses none, refuses to agree to verification measures for a

We want to cover as wide an Davies, an Opposition spokesman area as possible in the East on defence (Llanelli, Lab) who Atlantic with frigates that can use Stingray. He was answering Mr Denzil

Mr Winston Churchill (Streeford, Mr Davies had said: We all know there is a Russian stockpile and Invincible class of anti-submarine there is going to be an American warfare was that there would be three and that two would be on station at any given time and one the make clear that the Governments of the declaration of the make clear that the Governments of the station of the station of the station at any given time and one the make clear that the Governments of the station of the in the dockyard.

If he goes ahead with his proposal to sell lavincible to the Royal Australian Navy, this will British soil whether they are effectively halve the numbers of Parish soil whether they are

in their country?

present to deploy the new American binary weapon forward in Europe and the Americans have agreed to consult their European allies before any suchforward deployment arises Mr Frank Haynes (Ashfield, Lab) asked if the stationing of discussed at the last meeting of Nato defence ministers.

Mr Haynes: Many people do not believe Mr Nott's statements on chemical weapons. When will he come clean and let the people know what is going on behind Mr Nott: Russia has 60,000 troops

rained in and specially designated to fight in chemical warfare. Their training is carried out in live chemical grounds and we know there are fatal casualties among the soldiers involved in Russia.

Russia holds one 200 con carried out in the chemical grounds and we know there are fatal casualties among the soldiers involved in Russia. Russia holds over 300,000 tons

of chemical weapons and much of this is deployed forward into Europe, with the means of delivering it. That is whaat is happening behind closed Russian

#### Cost advantage in purchase of Trident

Trident will cost less than any other major defence capability of this country in capital terms and far less in running terms. Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, said during questions in the Commons.

Mr Robert Brown (Newcasth upon Tyne, West, Lab) a former runior defence minister, said that pursuance of the Trident programme must mean the sacrifice of the surface fleet and the closure of shipyards like Swan Hunter on Tyneside. Hunter on Tyneside. Mr Nott: The Trident programme

has hardly cost us anything up to now. The peak expenditure, if we decide to go for Trident 5, on Trident will be in the late 1980s, when the Tornado programme will have run down. The Tornado is costing us £11,250m: far more than Trident will ever cost. Trident will be costing us less than any other major defence dapability of this country in capital terms and far less in running terms. We are spending £2,000m on Tornados in the next



Churchill: Sale opposed

and cost of Trident entirely

Nott explained that the erument had not yet reached its final decision on the UK. Trident programme so he was not in a position to make a statement. He told Mr John Silkin, chief Opposition Spokesman on defence and disarmament, that there would continue to be a real increase in defence exper

Mr Timothy Renton (Mid Sussex, C): If the Government decides to go for the advanced D5 version of Trident, what trade offers might be offered by the United States to offset the increased Is he personally convinced that, if we go for the D5 we will still be able to maintain our conventional forces at the necessary levels?

Mr Nott: We will be able to maintain these forces. We are in the process of coming to a decision between C4 and D5 and that requires discussions with the United States. I cannot

Mr John Silkin, chief Opposition spokesman on defence and disarmament: As the whole of the Government's nuclear policy is destroying our conventional capability, how can be continue to enlarge the Trident pro-

Mr Nott: When we came to office Labour was spending £2,900m in real terms on defence equipment. This year we are spending £5,500m in real terms on this. Assuming we come to a decision in favour of Trident, to confirm it, and go for the larger missile, there will still be a substantial real increase in our

nouncement on a 3 per cent increase in defence spending up to 1985-86. Mr Richard Douglas (Dunferm-line, Lab): What are the overrid-ing strategic requirements for taking a decision on Trident

spending on conventional rorces in accordance with our an-

Mr Nott: Eight successive governments of all political parties have believed in the need parties have believed in the meet for a snategic independent deterrent. There is nothing new about deciding to modernize that deterrent. The previous Labour Government decided to modernize the deterrent secretly; we

#### Tory measures to improve air defences

Although the number of aircraft available for the defence of the

**Duffy: Critical shortage** 

Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, said.

Mr Peter Hardy (Rother Valley, Lab): That is disreputable and hides the fact that many of these aircraft are extremely old. It disregards the fact that for much of the life of the present vernment operational flying ours of pilots in the relevant RAF squadrons have greatly reduced.

How does that equate with the osition we heard so much of our Conservative MPs before Mr Nott: It takes a good

number of years to improve any defence capability. Since we have been in Government we have proceeded with the Nimrod early warning programme, agreed to run on the two Buccaneer squadrons into the 1990s, we are ringing forward the Tornado air lefence version which will only be a few months behind schedule, and the VC10 tanker force will multiply our air capability to a large extent. We have agreed to arm 72 of the Hawks. We are redeploying Bloodhound.

Mr Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, L): Did he not refer to a window of vulnerability over the pext five years? Is that what the

Mr Nott: I referred to a window of vulnerability in general terms.

I was referring to the total capability of Nato as against the Warsaw Pact. The superiority of the Warsaw Pact forces in all areas will continue to increase vis-a-vis that of Nato in the next five starts. five years. That is the wind vulnerability.

Mr. Anthony Buck (Colchester, C): What we have done about pay and conditions has stopped there being an outflow of trained

Mr Not: When we came to power we were about 200 fighter pilots short. We are still short of fighter pilots. It takes two years and a half to recruit and train s

Miss Conagh McDonald, an Opposition spokesman on defence (Thurrock, Lab): Will be confirm The Daily Telegraph report of January 28 that our frontline air defence system will be reduced by one sixth by the end of this year? In the same interview he referred to the window of vulnerability. Did he say that in the event of air strack we would have immediately to rely on the American air defence force since we would lack our

The delays and vacillations in bur air defence programme will lead to a major crists by 1984-85 in our air defence programme. This is shunting off the burden of conventional weapons on to the Next Government.

Mr Nott: When we last debated defence the Labour Party proposed a reduction in defence expenditure of £3,500m. Now I learn that the Opposition is to keep on five dockyards. One has to ask whether they would have nothing but dockyards to defend this control.

# Foot demands help for jobless

#### UNEMPLOYMENT

Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition (Ebbw Vale, Lab), referring to today's published figures of unemployment, asked the Prime Minister ar question time: Can we have an assurance that the control Pulse will be a second to the control of the hat the coming Budget will not, like all the previous Budgets under her administration, adddrastically to the unemployment total and that in that Budget she will take steps to restore the benefits to the unemployed who have had their benefits cut under

Mrs Thatcher: Mr Foot will know that I can say virtually nothing about the Budget. I can, however promise him that, unlike certain other previous governments, it is unlikely that we shall go back to the IMF. (Conservative cheers) Mr Foot: If she cannot or will not swer about the likely increase

in unemployment as a result of the Budget, will she answer about the unemployed?
Under her Government there Under her Government there has been a severe cut, of about \$10 a week, particularly for the long-term unemployed. In the figures today their number has risen to something like a million. Will she take steps in this Budget to help those she is making unemployed?

Mrs Thatcher: The numbers unemployed for more than a year are between \$900,000 and 1,000,000. It is very serious. National insurance changes are usually announced in the Budget.

usually announced in the Budget. Mr Foot must await them.
He will have seen the additional supplementary estimate which

is largely accounted for by the increased unemployment. Mr Jack Straw (Blackburn, Lab): The Treasury is refusing to give information on the total cost of tax c last three Budge C-24foot 2 won that the tax on me rich has gone down

and the tax on everyone else has gone up? Mrs Thatcher: Tax reductions by definition usually go in greater proportion to those who pay more, (Labour protests). If proportion to those who yay more. (Labour protests). If people do not pay very much tax they cannot get much back on tax reductions, but I would point out that the top 40 per cent of incomes start at about £7,500 a year and that would not be thought of as rich under his definition.

#### Duty to teach principles of law and order

about the events at St Saviour's Church of England School in Toueth, Liverpool, where pupils rioted, Mrs Margatret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said at question time.

She told Mr David Alton (Liverpool, Edge Hill, L) that they were strenuously against any reduction in expenditure on

any reduction in expenditure on the police or in police numbers. Mr Alton szid: In the light of the trail of destruction at this Liverpool school, did the Prime Minister see the report in The Guardian this morning and The Times last Friday that politically-mosigated left wing goings were motivated left wing groups were involved in indoctrination:

E500,000 reduction in the policing budget on Merseyside and consider the possibility of reinstating that money to put 1,000 extra policemen on the beat? Parents have a greater responsibility in dealing with their own children.

there should be any reduction in the amount spent, in these difficult days, on the number of police or on the provision of equipment. We should be stre-muously against any reduction in the numbers or in expenditure on police numbers. We understand that the community policing is baving a veneficial effect in Liverpool. It is hoped it will strengthen relations between the

police and the community.

The Government, she said, was concerned about events at the

school.

It is (she went on) a relatively new school with a good teacher-pupil ratio. Parents and all citizens have a dut both to tech ctuzeus nave a dut both to tech
the principles of law and order
and see it is upheld. In some of
these areas some of the children
suffer from what are ciled "nonaccidental injuries"; sometimes
children are abandoned. This occurs in such areas as this and the social services and voluntary agencies fo eerything they can to diminish it.

#### Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Questions: Scottish Office. Travel Concessions (London) Bill, second reading. Lords (2.30): Debates on rural housing, problems of the Scottish Highlands, and on A320 Airbus.

# Minister condemns IRA for sinking ship

#### ULSTER

The sinking of by the IRA of the collier ship St Bedan at Lough Foyle, Northern Ireland, was condemned by Mr Nicholas Scott, Under Secretary of State, North-ero Ireland Office. He said in a statement that the attack put the crew of the vessel in danger and struck at the livelihoods of people living in the area.

Mr William Ross (Londonderry, Off UU): Will there be increased security force activity in Lough Foyle? It should be brought to the notice of the owners of vessel that it is the Us Kingdom's responsibility compensation for any k suffered. Which RUC mander will be responsible? United for

Mr Scott: The RUC are con-cerned about this incident. Compensation is a matter for the Department of Trade and the Northern Ireland Office.

On jurisdiction, Lough Foyle is an integral part of the county of Londonderry which is in the United Kingdom. On security, we are already in touch with Mr. John Nott, Secretary of State for

Sir John Biggs-Davison (Epping Forest, C): This is not the first time a ship has been sunk in these waters. Is surveillance adequate? This is a matter for the RUC, the Royal Navy, and possibly the RAF.

Mr Scott: The fact this is the second incident of this kind underlines the importance of improved security in future, and that is why we are in touch with

Fir Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, L): The sinking of a ship bringing coal to Northern Ireland is another example of IRA tactics which harm ordinary people Mr. James Kilfedder (North

Down, UU): Since there was a similar incident a year ago there has been negligence by the authorities in not preventing a recurrence of the incident. The IRA has described the sinking as a "economic section," but in an "economic measure", but in truth the IRA are seeking the maximum publicity for their campaign. Mr Scott: Of course they are

seeking maximum publicity for their campaign. It is in our interests to ensure we respond appropriately to the action they have taken. I am sure in cooperation with Mr Nott appro-(Hammersmith North, Lab): We oppose paramilitary activity of this kind from wherever it

Mr Scott: The Department of rade gives advice on security to vessels using all ports in the United Kingdom, including Northern Ireland ports.

# **Maintaining** decent English

#### LANGUAGE

The Speaker (Mr George Thomas), warning MPs about the use of unparliamentary language, called for an effort to maintain decent English in debates.

Frank Haynes (Ashfield, Lab), on a point of order, said he wondered if there was a list of words which should not be used in the Commons because they considered unparliamen

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Not many days ago (be said) you pulled me up at question time for using the word hell. This

Bearing in mind the devil lives there—(laughter)—I seek your guidance on this question so that I do not get out of order in

The Speaker: I am a greater authority on a place in a different direction. What I object to is saying, in the middle of a speech, "What the beli". If we are going to descend in parliamentary debates to that sort of expression it will not be long before we go lower down again.

There must be some effort to There must be some effort to maintain decent English. It is a good language which caters (or every mood.

# MPs seek more time for minority rights in Canada

# CANADA BILL

When the committee stage began, Mr Enoch Powell (South Down, Off UU) moved the first tution Act, and in particular to the fundamental freedoms set out

Among other emendments being considered was one to insert in the new constitution provisions for an Aboriginal Rights Commission.

He said the natural meanings

of what the Commons might be thought to be doing was giving to judges of a court the ultimate political decisions as to what was portical decisions as to what was a free society, what was a democratic society and what was justifiable in such a society. His conclusion was that Canada had no intention and no notion that it intended to be a country where political decisions were taken on the judical bench. Sir Bernard Braine (South-East Essex, C) said these were constructive amendments. Their inclusion, would provide a much better constitution, able to reflect with honour the unique relation-

with honour the unique relation-ship between the native peoples, who rightly called themselves the first nations of Canada, and the Europeans, who settled there from the seventeenth century onwards. This relationship of distinct peoples was the corner-stone upon which modern Canada was built. The native peoples wanted a form of self-government within

the sovereignty of Canada and they had a right to this. A greater degree of self-government would secure for them the continuation in future generations of their distinct identificadistinct identity.
They cried out to MPs to help

protect them from assimilation with the majority of people from European origin. Their right to

continue to flourish was recog-nized by the International Cove-nant of Civil and Political Rights. Mr Francis Pym, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House, said there had been interparty discussions to try to find a way of giving the committee a bit



reflection.

after second reading.
When the Bill was published

He had no idea

# Lloyd's Bill

The Lloyd's Bill, which is designed to improve the self-regulatory mechanisms of the insurance market, completed its report stage early today. The immunity clause went through unaltered after an attempt to amend it was defeated by 71 votes to 18.

Braine: Too little time for

future progress and timing of the Bill. There was a desire in Canada for progress but when the measure would leave the Commons and receive Royal Assent he had no idea.

# Price controls wanted

# BACKBENCH BILL

Miss Betty Boothroyd (West Bromwich, West Lab) was given leave under the 10-minute rule to bring in a Bill to give the Secretary of Scate for Trade powers to control the prices of essential goods and services. The Essential Goods and Services (Price Control) Bill was read a

(Price Control) Bill was read a first time.

She said there was major public cencern, at the increasing costs of goods and services which were an essential ingredient to every family's living standards, as well as sizeable element of the family budget, such as the cost of a home, the increasing cost of heating that home, and the charges imposed for health services.

no minister responsible for price regulation or monitoring. The consumer had been treated like a captive army having to do the paying while the state industries were being made the scapegoat

for inflation.

What was needed was a Bill which would identify one single minister responsible to the House and through it to the people for these never-ending increases. He should have powers to refer to an independent body outside the House to see that justice was done.

done.

Asking this Government to safeguard the interests of millions of families was tike putting the train robbers in charge of the silver vaults. She wanted to see those people who had to do the paying receive justice and fairness.

# Patients to be told their rights

A Government which would give mental patients transferred from prison to hospital or mental nursing home the right to a hearing before the Mental Health Review Tribunal within six months of their transfer was

Moving the amendment, Lord Belstead, Under Secretary of State, Home Office, said that at prasent the law left a gap in which this category of patient, unlike those subject to hospital orders, would not have had his or her case looked at recently by a court, with evidence given by two medical practitioners.

The grounds of their detention in hospital would not have previously been considered by a court, and the Government accepted that such patients should have immediate right to a tribunal heaving. This would no tribunal hearing. This would go some way to meet concerns expressed by Opposition MPs.

Lord Avebury (L) welcomed the change, although, he said, it did not go as far as his amendment at committee stage— that patients sould have right to a tribunal hearing before transfer. A Government amendment to the Mental Health (Amendment) Bill will ensure that all patients detained in mental hospitals are informed of their rights both orally and in writing. Lord Elton, Under Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, said in the House of Lords when the report stage began.

He said the amendment, which was agreed to, also provided that steps should be taken to ensure, that this was done as soon as possible after admission.

There was also a requirem There was also a requirement that the person most closely concerned with the patient should be informed of those rights. This might not necessarily be the closest relative whom it might not always be possible to contact. It would be left to the discretion of the hospital managers who would know the patient and his situation,

He emphasized the importance of ensuring that written infor-mation was given in a form appropriate to the individual to easure it could be understood and passed on to anyone else thought appropriate.

Lord Winstanley (L) who had proposed an amendment along similar times said he would withdraw it after bearing the Government proposal. He wel-comed the move because, he said, patient detained in a mental hospital was often defenceless and vulnerable It was right that the hospital managers should be given furth-

# APRIL6. KEEP THE NEW N.I. CONTRIBUTIONSA IN MIND

# **NEW NATIONAL INSURANCE**

CONTRIBUTIONS National Insurance contributions rates and limits will change from April 6, 1982.

The main changes are shown here, but full details are given in leaflet NI 208/April 82 available from post offices or social security offices.

**EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES** The lower earnings limit below which no Class 1 contributions are payable, by employer

or employee, is being raised to £29.50 a week. The upper earnings limit to which Class 1 contributions are payable will be raised to £220 a week,

The percentage rates of contribution for employees will also be increased. Those who are not contracted out will pay 8.75% on earnings up to £220. Those who are contracted out will pay 8.75% on earnings up to £29.50 and 625% between £29.50 and £220. The reducedrate contribution payable by some married women and widows will go up to 3.2%. There will be no change in the percentage rates of contri-

bution paid by employers. New contribution tables are being issued

direct to employers. But if copies are not received by March 20, apply as follows: ☐ Not-contractedout tables (CF391) - local

earnings after that date.

social security office. ☐ Contracted out tables (CF392) -Contracted-out Employments Group, DHSS, Newcastle upon Tyne NE98 1YX.

(CF398) - Collector of Taxes to whom end ofyear tax returns are made. Existing tables will be invalid after April 5 and should not be used for payments of

☐ NI Surcharge exempt tables

being raised to £3.75 per week. The first contribution at this rate is due on April 11. If you expect to earn less than £1,600 from self employment in the 1982/83 tax year,

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Class 2 flat-rate contributions are

you can apply for exception from liability to pay Class 2 contributions. Class 4 contribution rate will be increased to 6%, and the lower and upper limits of profits or gains on which

contributions are payable will be raised to

#### £3,450 and £11,000 respectively. **VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS** Class 3 flat-rate contributions will be

raised to £3 65 a week. IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PEOPLE **PAYING CLASS 2 OR 3 CONTRIBUTIONS** BY DIRECT DEBIT

The Department is not required by the direct debiting scheme to send to direct debit contributors individual notice of changes in the rate of contributions as the amounts payable are statutory. This advertisement gives formal notice of the new rate you should pay from April 6. 1982. The first contribution at this rate is due on April 11. Contribution rate changes in other years will also be notified by national publicity in the press.

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er responsibility towards patients as they had the ultimate responsibility for their detention.

# Stewart Tendler reveals how a cool con-man made a little money go a long way

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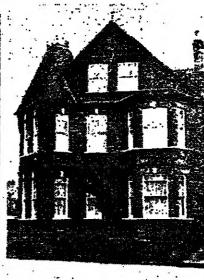




His country house: Little Stream, Virginia Water — antiques, 102 cxpensive suits, a Mercedes, a Rolls-Royce and a Jaguar, and gold deals here, but the police waited in vain.

The Waldorf: Sperber did his The convent: Used, unknown to the sleuth: Det Sgt John Mullally, whose doggedness matches Sperber's drop.







# How Siegmund Sperber lived high off the banks

At Interpol in Paris the last companies of Siegmund Sperber paying interest on his overus In Switzerland 10 years draft.

As the amount of money company, Scott Parfums trace of Siegmund Sperber was In Switzerland 10 years ago; the file says "identity uncertain". On the Antwerp diamond bourse, dealers thought he was dead, killed billion lira fraud in 1976.

Yesterday at the Central Criminal Court, Sperber, known in Britain as Georg Pratten, was sent to prison Yesterday at the Central cheques are returned, and Criminal Court. Sperber, innown in Britain as Georg Pratten, was sent to prison for five years for his part in his skill is unknown but he king of a system of financial musical chairs which has milked banks across Europe of nearly £3m in the past few

He has not been tried for these offences. When on case But over the years Sperber was brought before the has been both bold and courts last autumn after unlucky. He has been to complex police investigations prison only twice. it was thrown out on a

travels as a middle-aged help, it is said, of a Belgian international businessman, order of nuns. Thirty years usually in diamonds, who later the nuns were still enudes a Mittel European unwittingly protecting him in charm (which at the age of 64 still wins him more than his harm (which at the age of 64 London.

till wins him more than his in 1946 Sperber set up as a diamond dealer, living in the confident patter is Antwerp. Married in 1948, he fuir share of women).

underlined by a gesture of was no longer resident in the hands, a sweep of the Belgium in the early 1950s help, not being too well as a dealer until 1956, when acquainted with the pro-cedures of his victim's coun-frauded a number of his try. He wants to open an colleagues by disappearing account and he needs a little with diamonds on credit.

Two years later he was rangements. Sir, he tells the imprisonment and the next manager, my business de-

pends on flexibility. five indeed it does. Mr Sperb-er's speciality is a fraud mean technically known as cheque "cross-firing". Since the advent of computers it has rarely been seen; most banks assume they are no longer at risk. Mr Sperber has person to serve his sentences. In his city disabused several leading defence yesterday it was said European banks of that the sentence in Belgium

involving considerable jug-gling and timing of the international banking sys-tem. Put at its simplest it involves a victim bank in one was passed in absentia. country and accounts at other banks in second coun-

The first move is to open current and deposit accounts with the intended victim. The second stage is to build up a credit rating and demonstrate respectability. So far Mr Sperber is a normal cus-

What the victim does not know is that Mr Sperber is also opening up a network of accounts under other names, or using associates abroad At the centre of the network is a clearing bank.

Over weeks or months Mr Sperber begins to circulate money from the victim bank through the other accounts and then back to the original current account. Sometimes he is in the black, sometimes in the red. The bank does not worry. He seems a very active customer with business relations with many people and other banks, and he is paying interest on the current account overdraft.

Once confidence is established Mr Sperber asks his first victim bank to transfer money by telex to another account on the security of uncleared cheques received from banks in the network. These will take days to clear against a transfer on the victim bank, which can be completed the same day.

All the time Mr Sperber,

with a stroke of impudence, is using the victim bank's momey to redeem post-dated cheques at the other banks. The amount of money circulating rises. At the victim bank the uncleared balance is the one calculated on the day a cheque is received but the true balance of Mr Sperber's total indebtedness is not known, except by Mr Sperber. Only when the cheque is cleared by the bank on which cleared by the bank on which it is drawn is the true balance revealed — but that is only for a fraction of the time,

eccount, let us say, of asked the National Union
1250,000 to set against an overdraft of £300,000. The hank is still not worrying because Mr Sperber has

circulating rises Mr Sperber siphons some off and then starts the last stage. He takes money out of the network banks. When the victim bank in a mysterious car crash in money out of the network 1974. The police in Rome banks. When the victim bank twented to talk to him about a preents its cheques there is no money to meet them. The

what was, by his standards, a brought to cross-firing a minor piece of chicanery, mind capable of keeping For Mr. Sperber is a monabreast of complicated detail arch of international frauds, and considerable panache one victim agreed to hold parcels of diamonds as collateral without ever checking the parcels. In one fraud 33 different

bank accounts were used.

it was thrown out on a technicality.

Siegmund Sperber is the sort of man bank managers seem to take to immediately. He arrives driving an expensive cor. Well dressed, he survived the Nazis with the sort of the last war he was to Belgium where, although Jewish, he say that the sort of the Nazis with the sort of He was born in Vienna in

arms. He explains that he is and in 1954 his company no babe in the world of went bankrupt. Nonetheless finance but he needs a little he appears to have continued

> year sentences of two and five years were passed on him in Antwerp. In the meantime Sperber had jum-ped bail.

He emerged again in 1964 in Italy where he was tried and acquitted for fraud, but he was extradited to Belgium elief. was reduced to three years. The scheme is complex, and that he had been tried yolving considerable jug- and cleared in Austria.

> was passed in absentia. Sperber had disappeared again.

He was now to be found part of the time in Switzerlind, where Swiss authorities believe he extracted £500,000 from a branch of the Banco de Bilbao. In 1971 the West Germans extradited him to Switzerland and early in 1972 he stood trial there. The Swiss are circumspect about what happened next but it appears Sperber walked out of court during and adjourn-

In 1974 a rumour spread round the Antwerp diamond dealers that Sperber had died in a car accident. His former wife, whom he had divorced in 1960, was among those who thought he was dead.

Banks in Rome and Milan discovered in 1976 that he was very much alive and a warrant was issued for his arrest after a fraud involving 1.8 billion lire, the equivalent of well over £1m. But he was in London, where a large commercial bank would like to talk to him about £477,000 which it is owed.

The next year he and a Belgian girlfriend were at a branch of the Amsterdam Rotterdam Bank, AMRO, in Bergen-Op-Zoom, just over the border from Belgium. That bank would like Mr Sperber to account for

Three hundred yards up the road from the AMRO bank in Bergen is a branch or bank in Bergen is a branch of the Algemene Bank Nether-lands, ABN. In 1979 the Belgian girlfriend opened an account there. Sperber was lucky because one of the staff was married to an official of he luckless AMRO branch, but no one made any cognexion. connexion.

Mr Sperber might still be dropping in on Bergen today were it not for his nose for perfume. Among his varied commercial interests was an involvement with a perfume

peating the process.

By this time Mr Sperber has cheques coming into his eccount later the process.

In 1976 Charles Scott (Parfums) Ltd. a family firm in Finchampstead, Berkshire, account later the process.

company, Scott Parfums (Sales) Ltd, as an NUB subsidiary. When a customer bought

perfume, on credit, NUB through its subsidiary paid Charles Scott (Parfums), the manufacturer, 80 per cent of the bill, minus service and interest charges. Charles Scott (Parfums) would re-ceive the remaining 20 per cent when the customer paid the bill.

In the summer of 1977 NUB was taken over and it was announced that the discounting business would abroad for a month or so.
end in the spring of 1978. The police discovered to cover his tracks Practiculated for Charles Scott bad registered the cars at (Parfums) began to rise, mainly because of a new account with firms called Agrostis Import/Export Ltd and Texmay Finance Ltd. At first payments were made convent was also used as a within the 90-day period for poste restante, an address for credit, but then the payments accounts.

uried up.

Proceedings were taken against Agrostis and Texmay, who said they had never received the perfume. Police investigations concluded that no perfume had ever here. no perfume had ever been destined for them. Arrests were made, and yesterday Maurice Thomas Wood, an accountant and director of Agrostis, was jailed for a year for his part in the £271,000 fraud.

But another man remained elusive. The guiding light behind Agrostis and Texmay was a Mr Georg Pratten, who was thought to live much of the time abroad.

Detective Sergeant John Mulially, a member of the fraud squad, set out to find him. Mr Mulially, a deter-mined Ulsterman, began game of hide and seek through the winter of 1979 into the spring and summ of 1980. Pratten, via his lawyers, offered to meet the policeman abroad and promised to keep appointments. but never appeared

Pratten was known to favour the Waldorf Hotel in the Aldwych for business meals and meetings. Suspecting he might be on his way there, Mr Mullally called in undercover detectives from the Yard's criminal intelligence branch. Disguised as doormen, road sweepers, passing pedestrians and hotel visitors, they waited in vain. Pratten's second sense saved him and he did not appear.

Mr Mulially dogged the heels of a girlfriend of Pratten day and night for over two months, trailing her buses homeward without sign of Pratten. The policeman discovered her while investigating the firm where Mr Wood worked. She was on the switchboard.

In . June, 1980, he was watching a flat used by her in north London when a green Mercedes Benz turned into

As Pratten pulled up, the policeman ran down from his vantage point on a six-storey block of flats, jumped garden fences and sprinted into the road. Pratten, planning a lunch with the girl, was unlocking the boot of his car to take out a bottle of wine and some food, He found under arrest.

In his briefcase the policeman found signed blank cheques drawn on accounts under different names in London. The cheques were part of the fraud on the ABM bank, amounting to almost £400,000. At the same time the bank was being used in complex credit deals with a London jewellers, A.
Byworth and Co. Jewelry was
given to Pratten on approval
for 30 days against post-dated
cheques on London accounts.

When the moment came to when the moment came to honour the cheques others drawn on the Dutch bank would be substituted. Those would take time to clear and so extend the period of credit. The firm eventually lost £250,000, although Pratten later argued in court that the cheques would have been met. Mr Mullally discovered one reason why he had had difficulties tracking Pratten down. He was comfortably ensconced in a large house with an acre of grounds in Virginia Water, Surrey, deep in the stockbroker belt. The house had been bought for £54,000 cash in another name

floor and upstairs in Prattens room 102 suits were neatly arranged in the wardrobe, graded from light to dark shades in each colour. Many of them came from an expensive tailor in Milan.

By the garage, Pratten's cars were lined up. The green Mercedes, a grey Rolls-Royce, a mauve Jaguar and an Alfetta which the Italian chauffeur said was his. Neighbours were told the cars were the fruits of repossession orders against Pratten's debtors. At the time of his arrest Pratten announced he was going

The police discovered that to cover his tracks Pratten had registered the cars at the London convent of the Missionary Sisters, in Hampstead, the Belgian order said to have protected him during the last war. The

letters had been sent to the convent, which it had re-turned to the Post Office; others had been picked up by visitors. The sister in charge of the convent at the time had since returned to Belgium and the current staff

knew nothing. The police discovered that Pratten's Belgian girlfriend owned a flat worth £90,000 in north London. There was also a bolt hole for Pratten in Milan. Throughout the time Mr Mullally was searching for Pratten he had no idea of his real identity. When he was arrested the police had nothing more than a man with a West German identity with a west German identity ratio had taken place.

card aged 52 and born in The jewelry charge was also dropped because it was cords office at Scotland Yard does not keep records for individuals beyond a certain the police not stepped in and their arrests thus age on the basis that they become too old for crime. Besides, he had never been convicted in Britain.

was one which had been He remained in the maximum

complices came before the Christmas on the perfume Central Criminal Court char-fraud. Mr Mullally, who ged with fraud against the suffered a heart attack dur-listening to legal argument days.

Judge Buzzard rules that the Sper
Dutch case was outside statem
British jurisdiction although three counsel for one of the yet al
defendants conceded that charm fraud had taken place.

made their arrests, thus

But Sperber's luck was not Scrubs, supplied with meals totally exhausted. Last brought from his Surrey autumn he and two ac- home, and began trial before Sperber chose to make a

statement from the dock. For girlfriend, three days he brought to play yet again his considerable charm. A slightly rumpled figure with a mane of white hair, he was the image of the

benign Dutch uncle.

At the end of one afternoon in the 13 week trial he
looked up at the judge and in the manner of a barrister become too old for crime.

Besides, he had never been convicted in Britain.

The West German computer at Weisbaden knew differently. Late at night an anong the prosecutors. It has raised doubts about the that "perhaps this suggested that "perhaps this would be a good point to adjourn for the day my lord". The judge agreed.

Today, at the end of a trial costing more than £250,000,

excited German voice told Mr feasibility of prosecuting Mullally: "You have an international frauds in this his sentence that he may need that blend of presence The "Pratten" indentity card But Sperber was not free.

But Sperber was not free. Italian authorities are planning extradition proceedings and the Dutch are also considering action.

Sperber is believed to own properties in France and elsewhere. The police also suspect there may be anony mous bank accounts in Switzerland. There is an arrest warrant out in Antwerp for his Belgian

The future of Stream, now worth £160,000, has not been settled. A few days after Pratten's arrest notice was given that it had

been bought on a loan from West Germany. In Sperber's room resting on the leather-bound blotting pad given by Rolls-Royce to its customers is an antique American hunting knife used by prospectors in California On the blade is inscribed: dig gold out of quartz".



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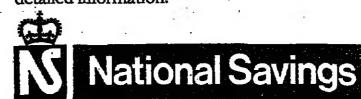
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# Russians invite Chinese to border talks

Soviet Government has pro-posed a resumption of talks with China on the two countries long-standing bor-der dispute, a Foreign Minis-

Soviet Union had approached said that the Kremlin "would the Chinese Government with not be kept from taking a proposal to discuss the border issue; but he empha-sized that Moscow did not intend to discuss what he of improvement, he told a described as "territorial

The two countries last met in 1978 in Peking to discuss the dispute, which led to bloody border clashes 13 years ago and has provoked deep bitterness in both led to have and history and history refrained.

Marshal Dmitry Ustinov, the Defence Minister, echoed Mr Tikhonov's line in an article published in Pravda today.

Marshal Listings refrained.

tory; but Moscow rejects the claim and publicly insists that talks should deal only

with border protocol.

The Foreign Ministry
spokesman did not say how
or when the latest approach was made; but Soviet sources in Peking said today that the Kremlin informed the Chinese Government of its readiness for talks on February 1.

Western diplomats in posal to resume the talks, Moscow said the Soviet move made six months ago, was seemed timed to coincide rejected by the Peking leadseemed timed to coincide with strains between Peking and Washington over the United States' recent sale of advanced fighter aircraft to

The Soviet Government is deeply concerned by the increase in Sino-American economic, political and mili-tary cooperation and is eager to settle its differences with China, the diplomats said.

Mr Nikolai Tikhonov, the der dispute, a Foreign Minis-try spokesman said today. at a softening of Moscow's The spokesman said the attitude last week when he concrete steps" towards improving Sino-Soviet relations. However, the process group of Japanese journal sts, must not be one-sided.

Peking and Moscow.

China claims 600,000 from making any of the square miles of Soviet terricustomary Soviet charges of appression against China and aggression against China and limited himself to warning Peking that its policies could only help Washington's ag-gressive preparations.

Peking and Moscow have held 15 rounds of border talks since the 1960s when the two Governments, for-merly close allies, became involved in a fierce ideological dispute.

Moscow's last formal pro-

crship.
China has cited the Soviet military presence in Afghanistan beside other international and ideological is sues as hindrances toward the reestablishment of nor-

# Britain presses chemical arms ban despite US

By Our Foreign Staff

sure that countries comply with any international ban on chemical weapons. The move was made in the 40-nation United Nations Disarmament Committee in Geneva.

The British recommendations include the setting up of an international consulta-tive committee to carry out on-site inspections and to seal up weapon production plants within six months of the convention coming into

Asked how this initiative tallied with the recent American decision to manufacture new nerve gas weapons, the Foreign Office in London later said ti appreciated the position of the United States, which was attempting to counterbalance the large Soviet stockpile of chemical

At the same time, the British Government thought it important to continue to press for an international

Britain yesterday tabled convention to outlaw these proposals aimed at making weapons. Britain destroyed weapons. Britain destroyed its stocks of chemica wea pons many years ago, and does not plan to build them

up again. Mr David Summerhayes. the British delegate in Geneva, underlined the need for adequate verification through every stage of compliance with a treaty, starting with the declaration and destruction of stockpiles and production facilities.

He said that international supervision would have to be supplemented by satellite surveys to trace any chemi-cals of known military sig-

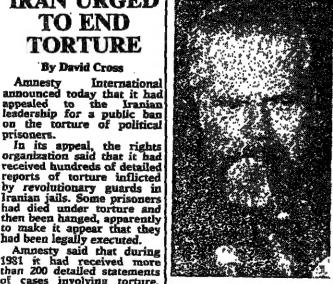
On-site investigation by the consultative committee --composed of representatives of each state party to the convention — would be required in doubtful circumstances. Plants would be monitored until disposed of or converted within 10 years of a country's adhering to a

#### IRAN URGED TO END TORTURE

International announced today that it had appealed to the Iranian lesdership for a public ban on the torture of political

received hundreds of detailed reports of torture inflicted by revolutionary guards in Iranian jails. Some prisoners had died under torture and then been hanged, apparently to make it appear that they had been legally executed. Amnesty said that during 1981 it had received more than 200 detailed statements of cases involving torture, some of them backed by photographs and medical reports. They included descriptions of special torture rooms in Evin prison in Tehran, where prisoners were burned with irons and cigarettes, beaten, kicked, whipped and subjected to mock executions.

mock executions. The tortures were similar to abuses perpetrated under the Shah before the 1979 revolution, Amnesty said.



France honours Orson Welles

Orson Welles, the film producer, director and actor, facing the press at an hotel in Paris. He was in the city to be awarded the Medal of Honour by President Mitterrand at a ceremony yesterday.

# BL uses new technology in fight back.

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Poland: Sanctions; Jarruzelski visit

# EEC to curb Soviet imports

By Our Foreign Staff

EEC foreign ministers meeting in Brussels yester-day agreed to send to the Soviet Union "a clear politi-cal signal" of displeasure about events in Poland. It will comprise a curb on what by a small group of Commhas been calculated as about unity diplomats over the past 2 per cent of total Soviet few weeks. They are now to imports into the Community. It can only be sent subject to reservations by Greece and Tokyo: The Japanese Transack Greece and Government sesterday and

against the Soviet Union and against the Soviet Union and Denmark has said it finds it Poland.

Mr Kiichi Miyazawa, the Greece should be exempted from any supposedly joint the Government would refuse to reschedule Polish debts or last the street hand more mores. to the European Commision

bought by Greece.

day's meeting approved the restrictions in principle.

A ban will be limited to manufactured products and luxury goods. According to Italian figures these total about £320m a year. A French proposal that the ban should amount to half this Union an shelve Moscow's figure would mean cutting soviet imports by roughly 2 of its trade office in Tokyo.

Madrid: Poland.

In terms of the measures, which were described as half-hearted by Western diplomats, Japan will also, among other things, suspend trade consultations with the Soviet Union an shelve Moscow's request for the enlargement of its trade office in Tokyo.

the Council about latest security review conference developments in Poland, the yesterday with charges that aim being merely to agree on Britain used torture in a signal which would, in the Northern Ireland, diplomatic words of Lord Carrington, sources said.

The Council also agreed to send humanitarian aid worth £4.5m to Poland for distribution through charitable

amount to a new charter of view with Le Monde newsamount to a new charter of European unity. Known so far as the European Act, it was originally suggested jointly by West Germany and Italy and has been discussed by a small group of Community diplomats over the past few weeks. They are now to report again on the idea by May 24.

Denmark: Greece has already Government yesterday an-made it clear that it will not nounced that it will take be associated with sanctions steps to impose sanctions against the Soviet Union and against the Soviet Union and

to the European Commission time being occasive the suppressed no matter how to find a compromise, one Government recognizes that much it is denied, but which idea for which is that the unity and cooperation of needs to be channelled and restrictions should be importance in actions are of informed by the exercise of posed only on goods not utmost importance in coping reason. with the Polish question".

The Commission proposals Mr Miyazawa said the are expected to be ready in sanctions would not be the next few days. Yester-applied to any economic day's meeting approved the assistance already committed

Madrid: Poland countered There was no discussion in criticism at the European

words of Lord Carrington, sources said.

the British Foreign Sector, show that "this is Foreign Affairs, Mr Wodziwhat happens if you do this nierz Konarski, asked how sort of thing and if you do it Britain would react if other again it will be worse". British restrictions were countries insisted on dialogue between authorities in Ulster and representatives of the Roman Catholic Church, Protestant leaders and the

lead to a social and political destabilization which enhances communist influence and other destabilizing factors."

Geneva: Calling for a world religious summit for peace, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, yesterday described events in Iran and Poland as EC measures. to reschedule Polish debts or "eruptions of a religious It has therefore been left lend more money "for the power which can never be time being because the suppressed no matter how Government recognizes that much it is denied, but which

> ☐ Brussels: Belgium has Poland and the Soviet Union, in line with the undertakings it gave with other Nato and EEC countries.
>
> They include a suspension

of exchange visits between ministers and senior officials and restrictions on visas for Soviet diplomats.

Soviet diplomats.

Talks on re-scheduling Polish debts are to be suspended, a Belgian-Polish commission is being adjourned and there will be restrictions on visas for business staff.

London: The British Government yesterday eased restrictions on the movement.

restrictions on the movement of Polish diplomats in Britain to bring them into line with those applied to British diplomats in Poland. The British restrictions were imposed earlier this month.

Previously permission had been given only in excep-The account was contained in a telegram of support to President Assad of Syria by

The relaxation does not organizations.

Part of the session was given over to a discussion on progress towards what would chancellor, said in an inter-

# Moscow gives nod of approval

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw, Feb 23

The Soviet Union has given regrouped and still not General Wojciech Jaruzelski, healed its wounds; the econ-the Polish leader, a discreet omy has if anything deteriovote of confidence by inviting him to Moscow next

week.
That is the view of diplomatic analysts here who point out that the announcement of the visit comes only days before the Polish Communist Party's Central Committee holds a plenary session during which the general is expected to come under some criticism for his relatively moderate policies.
But by stipulating that the Moscow visit will take place in the first week of March, the Soviet Union is cleanly in the first week of March, the Soviet Union is clearly signalling its belief that General Jaruzelski will retain his position as party chief. Party hardliners — pro-Soviet, Marxist fundamentalists — have been gathering strength since the declaration of martial law and have been expressing, in oblique

been expressing, in oblique ation ties, and more strongly ways, varying degrees of than so far, towards the impatience. The declaration of martial CMEA (Comecon, the econlaw raised expectations omic grouping), the Soviet among Polands hardline Union the friends who take Communists that have never a vital and honest interest in been fulfilled. The common the normalization of life in assumption has been that the our country."

Soviet Union sympathized with these feelings.

rated and leaders of Solidarity, the independent trade union movement, though jailed, still seem to have an emotional sway over many sectors of Polish society.

A sign of this frustration is Soviet pressure on the Poles to drive a wedge between the Roman Catholic Church and Solidarity, though it seems merely to have resulted in a propaganda attack on chur-chmen visiting internment Martial law has, however, achieved two goals in the Soviet interest: it has ended

strikes and the constant challlenging of the party and it has brought the Polish Government much more firmly into the Soviet orbit. Trybuna · Ludu, the party organ, today said. "We must orientate our foreign cooper-

The Soviet Union thus appears to be more or less satisfied with those two orchestrated, in the view of limited achievements since Jankowski, Mr Walesa's partakeover Moscow must be frustrated with the results. The party has still not control, even to an avowed pontical event.

Today, Father Henryk Today, Father Henryk Is in the Soviet interest two wasted the baptism to be a frustrated with the results. See General Jaruzelski lose private family affair.

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hardliner like Mr Stefan Olszowski Having sanctioned the state of affairs in Poland, it

must now see it through: General Jaruzelski who is also Prime Minister, head of the military council and Minister of Defence will only cede his leadership of the party when martial law ends. These judgments are drawn largely from party sources who are inclined towards the liberal reformist wing and therefore may contain a certain amount of wishful thinking. But the verdict seems to be correct: the hardliners are making more noise than they have genuine influence, at least within the Central Committee. ☐ Mr Lech Walesa.

interned leader of Solidarity, today quashed speculation that the baptism of his baby daughter would be turned into some form of public spectacle, (Reuter reports).
Reports published in the
West have suggested that he might be set free for the baptism and that the Polish primate, Archbishop Jozef Glemp would officiate, thus turning the ceremony into what would amount to a political event.

schools, restaurants and air-conditioned flats, the Egyp-tians will be receiving two of their own pre-Second World War guns when they regain the remaining one third of occupied Sinai on April 26.

The British-made sea can-non, over 20 ft long and with barrels clearly engraved with the insignia of George V, still

Africa.
Now useful only as a museum pieces, the guns have been deliberately left where they were abandoned by the Egyptians in 1956 as a reminder to any visitor of the importance of the area for Israel. A metal sign explains that attempted Egyptian blockades of the waterway have sparked two Middle

East wars. More than any amount of government propagands, the position of the guns and the narrowness of the strait (used for importing much of

In addition to two air bases, the airfield used to launch

the Entebbe raid, hundreds of miles of new roads, modern hotels, diving

schools, restaurants and air-

diving

what Israel has sacrificed for peace with her largest Arab neighbour.

Directly opposite the grey barrels of the cannon is the island of Tiran and next to it. Sinafir Island, which is infested with snakes and has the mater resources. no water resources. The two forbidding and uninhabited islands — scarcely talked about at the time of Camp David — have recently David — have recently emerged as two of the most controversial areas in the delicate next stage of the peace process.
Under the terms of the 1979 treaty, Israel is due to hand them back to Egypt, along with the remaining 12,000 square miles of the occupied Sinai peninsula. Security in zone C, the part of the treaty in which the

Security in zone C, the part of the treaty in which the islands are clearly designated is the responsibility of the American-organized Sinai multinational peace-keeping force, which is due to begin operations in March.

Controversy over the remote islands was sparked when Prince Fahd of Saudi Arabia — which leased the two islands to Egypt in the 1950s to facilitate the blockade of the Tiran Strait — was quoted as telling Saudi university students that the Egyptian government was responsible for returning

From Christopher Walker, Sharm el Sheikh them "to the mother country". The claim fuelled growing anxiety in Israel about the future of the islands after the final withdrawal.

Sinai withdrawal

Egyptian sea cannon show

who rules the waves

In recent talks in Cairo, Israel's forceful defence minister, the former general Ariel Sharon, agreed to accept Egyptian assurances about the islands; which will be patrolled by Egyptian civilian police after April 26 and also come under supervision from the Sinai force.

sit symbolically, if impotently, astride the concrete emplacements which command the narrow Strait of Tiran, 400 yards of the Red Sea which are vital to the security of Israeli shipping to and from Asia and East Africa.

Now useful only as a museum pieces, the guns have been deliberately left vision from the Sinai force. Probably no by coincidence, one of the two bases for the new force is anow being built on a barrent clifftop looking straight over the sparkling water to the rocky shores of Tiran Island. Working against the clock, a force of 250 men, more than half of them imported labour from Thailand, is struggling to complete the camp in time to complete the camp in time for the arrival of the first infantry soldiers.

Though the new force is intended to be multinational, there seems little doubt that its predominant character will be American (one reason why the Reagan administration was so anxious for



even minimal European par-

verspring, Maryland, described the construction problems caused by the long-running indecision about the Reitich pointed out that no Israele participation of British, French, West German and

With little prospect being happening in a vacuum. The held out of the Egyptians of return of the area is being managing to maintain the made in a political context tourist trade brought to the area: under Israeli occurates. A violation of either the cation attention is being said. pation, attention is being paid political process or the to providing maximum recreation facilities for the troops who will be stationed than before".

in one of the most isolated corners of the Middle East. As Mr Jaggard outlined the costly facilities being provided, four Israeli warplanes

swooped low past the spec-tacular backdrop of the purple Sinai mountains. They provided a loud reminder of one of the other strategic prices Israel will be paying in April: the loss of valuable airspace for training its pilots.

Official Israeli sources also cite the loss of strategic depth on land, the handover the Eitam and Etzion air bases — two of the most modern in the world — and military control over the strategic northern Sinai region as other strategic assets soon to be forfeited. All are considered subsidiary in importance to control over the Tiran waterway.

In hard financial terms, In hard financial terms, Israel is giving up an investment of some \$17,000m (about £8,900m) in the Sinai, only a fraction of which will either be paid in compensation by Egypt or can be salvaged as part of Operation Ramon, the code word for the military pull-back which has now been underway since 1979.

According to official figures supplied to *The Times*, the Israeli infrastructure breaks down as \$10,000m for airfields, bases and facilities (which will be handed over minus secret installations which will be destroyed); \$5,000m for oilfields already returned to the Egyptians and \$2,000m for roads and

He said: "By withdrawing from Sinai, the Israel defence even minimal European participation). As I was driven around the 150-acre site last week by Bob Jaggard, the resident US Army corps engineer, there was every sign that it would soon be taking on the feel of what a one worker described as one worker described as "little America".

Torce has one, and the supply. It has rearrayed its forces in the Negev and other parts of Israel from where they can be quickly and the easily concentrated against a threat from either direction. It has eliminated the call-up of reserves, paralysing the economy every time there is an emergency".

military figure of any stature French, West German and Durch contingents to join those of The United States, Fig. Uruguay and Colombia.

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Letter from Amman

#### Hama battle Jordanians count their confirmed by Syrians

From Robert Fisk Beirut, Feb 23

The Syrian Government today issued its first official statement on the fighting in the city of Hama, confirming widespread killing and destruction there. destruction there.

The government report —
issued after accusations that

the Western press, including
The Times, had fabricated
and exaggerated the extent of
violence in Hama — spoke of
"firing mosques and streets
... the liquidation of whole
families".

the Baath Party branch in Hama which blamed the extremist Muslim Brother-hood for the fighting.

It said that "the black wrath against the people became the black with the black with the black with against the people became with fining the black was a second with the black with the beautiful bea began with firing from mosques and streets on the houses of residents, killing randomly anyone walking in the streets and liquidating whole families, including men, women and children and killing brutally all those who did not oven their doors

who did not open their doors to become nests of treason." According to the account, Baath Party members were shot while they were asleep in bed. When the party's "security apparatus" attempted to bring violence under control, the Brotherhood retaliated by "pillaging stores and murdering doctors and lawyers and religious and lawyers and religious men. For this our comrades struck with the power of justice and the criminal tide was stopped at the early stage of the plot

Shamir fails to

close the gap
Cairo, Feb 23. — Israel and
Egypt still face wide divergences on the content and the scope of a proposed declaration of principles on Palestinian autonomy, official Egyptian sources said in

Cairo.

Commenting on the first round of talks between Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the visiting Israeli Foreign Minister, and Mr Kamal Hassan Ali, his Egyptian counterpart, the sources said that for Egypt, such a declaration must be "acceptable to the Palestinians and to Jordan".

For Israel, the priority was a five-year transition period

to precede autonomy in the West Bank and Gaza.

economic blessings Amman shows strikingly the impact of money from the Gulf which would have

poured into Lebanon, were it not for the continual strife there. Twenty years or so ago it still consisted principally of one long, main street along a narrow valley with buildings thrusting up the slopes to embry-onic suburbs. A rough and noisy hill-country capital with about 200,000 inhabitants and a strong dash of Bedouin insouciance, it was often the butt of unflattering comparisons with Bei-rut and Damascus.

Today, the burgeoning "greater Amman", reaching out across the seven hills to assimilate towns such as Suweleh, seven miles to the north-west, has 1.2 million people. This is almost half Jordan's total population, of whom at least 50 per cent

whom at least 50 per cent are Palestinians driven over from the West Bank by the 1948 and 1967 wars.
"This is about the best place to be in the Middle East at present," said a Palestinian surgeon who has tried most of the alternatives. alternatives.

The original city centre, spruced up a bit but essentially unchanged, and its adjoining souks are now dominated by new areas with luxury, shops, restaurants supermarkers and taurants, supermarkets and towering international hotels along the crests of the hills, all given a measure of redeeming grace by mandatory use of the honey-tinged local stone as honey-tinged local stone as facing on outside walls. Muggings are unknown, women shop at night unaccompanied and more of them, are to be seen driving cars — even large estate cars — than in Cairo or nother than an in Cairo or nother than the care of the care Baghdad.

As one of the oldest continuously inhabited places on earth - it was the Philadelphia of the Greeks and Romans - Amman has known many a heyday but never before such manifest affluence. "That," said the taxi driver, indicating a palace-like structure with gardens being landscaped around it, "is the new villa of a Palestinian who has become rich in Saudi Arabia. Ten bedrooms and a bia. Ten bedrooms and a swimming gool."

By no means the only one. Lesser dwellings, often still sumptuous by Europe's standards, have sprouted all over open country where

land can now cost twice as much as in London. Osten-tation being important, the roofs of some mansions are

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Tower, bearing sundry an-tennas for radio and tele-Because of inadequate refuse collection, huge tracts of hilly land still untouched by buildozers are strewn with wisp of nylon wrappings and plastic bottles with spring daisies and thistles pushing up

surmounted by massive imitations of the Eiffel

between them.

Also tailing far behind the urban expansion is the municipal sewage system, inaugerated within the past decade to replace the ubiquitous septic tanks. It is, however, now reaching the Jobel Husein (25,000) and Wahdat (34,000) refugee camps — or, more accurately, quarters — which, elthough still administered by Unrwa, (the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees) have long since become inte-grated into the city itself. As lack of proper sanitation is responsible for flies in summer and eye and intestinal infections, intestinal infections, especially among children. such improvements help to reduce the social imbalance. King Husein's Government

seems, in fact, to apply the maxim that man may tolerate the spectacle of much wealth provided he is not simultaneously subjected to extreme poverty.
No matter how overcrowded the camps, their miseries have been alleviated for many families by acquisitions such as re-fringerators, stoves and tele-vision, evidence of four years of full employment in Jordan and remittances from grown-up children working in the Gulf. So tight is the labour market that, in spite of the diplomatic breach since Camp David, the Government maintains an open-door policy towards Egyptians, here in their many thousands and often eager to work under conditions unacceptable to any self-respecting refugee. Conrespecting refugee. Con-tractors also bring in South Koreans, Filipinos, Indians and Pakistanis. For Jordanians — all refugees are nationals — minimum daily

Alaa McGregor

pay in the building trade is 5 Jordanian dinars, almost

# Police chief shot dead in Naples

Naples. — Two unidentified men shot dead Police Marshal Antonio Salzano, aged 52, at his house, and officials said the murder might be connected with a courtroom shooting here yesterday.

An anonymous caller telephoned a newspaper to say that Signor Salzano, a senior officer, had been murdered "because he supplied the arms for the courtroom

shooting."
Cae detainee was shot dead and two others were seriously injured when a fourth prisoner attacked them in a court antercom — the latest blow in an internecine war for control of the Camorra, the Naples Mafia.

Signor Salzano's duties included supervising the transport of prisoners between the city's Poggiorcale prison and the court.

#### Bomb claim by monarchists

Tehran. — An Iranian monarchist group has claimed to have planted a bomb in a refuse van which bomb in a refuse van which went off outside the Vali'Asr barracks killing 11 people and injuring 11 on Monday. "We planted the bomb", a telephone caller told the Agence Prance-Presse bureau in Tehran speaking for the Pars Monarchist Group. Monday was the anniversary of the accession to the throne of Reza Khan, father of the last Shah.

#### Israeli show called off

New York. - The Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York has called off a planned Israeli archaeological exhibition, bocause many of the pieces come from "disputed territories," Mr Philip de Montebello, the

Philip de Montebello, the curator, said.

Most of the pieces chosen by him came from the old Rockefeller Museum on the occupied West Bank. It would be taking a "de facto stand" by showing this material as "the heritage of the state of Israel", Mr de Montebello added.

# Gaddafi tries to end rift



Bourguiba Gaddafi

Turis. — Colonel Gaddafi, the Libyan leader, arrived in Tunisia to try to normalize bilateral relations, strained since an abortive merger attempt between the two countries in 1974.

The merger failed after President Habib Bourguiba of Tunisia reneged on the agreement shortly after sign-ing it, stating that he had been misied. The two leaders will be meeting for the first time in eight years.

# High turnout in Greenland poll

Copenhagen.—Early re-turns showed an exception-ally high turnout in Greenland's referendum on con-tinued membership of the EEC. A rarrow majority is expected to lead to the territory's withdrawal from the Community in 1984 (Christopher Foliett writes). Greenlanders, who have home rule under the Danish crown want closer ties with other North American Eski-mo communities and resent the jurisidiction of European

bureaucracy over — in par-ticular — their offshore fishing zones. This is despite the fact that Greenland has prospered greatly within the EEC, receiving 645m Kroner (£43m) in EEC aid since joining in 1973.

# CORRECTION

The report from New York yesterday on lung cancer should have said that cigar and pipe smoking were causal, not casual, factors in General Idi Amin in 1979.

# Carrington plea for patience on EEC budget

From Ian Murray, Brussels, Feb 23

"Patience, tenacity and Poreign Minister, who is the tolerance" are the essential current president of the qualities requered in Euro- Council pean statesmen in trying to Mr T settle the vexed question of Britain's budget contrubu-tion to the EEC, Lord Carrington, the Foreign Sec-retary, said tonight.

Speaking in Hamburg on the state of the Community, he showed that Britain had not budged from its argu-ment that more money had to be available for policies other than agriculture.

In talks earlier in Brussels with the other EEC foreign ministers, however, he found that opposition to the British standpoint was still very strong. It was agreed that a full day should be set aside at the next Foreign Council on March 23 to discuss the issue and that before then a report should be jointly prepared by the European Commission and the Council on the subject. But even that de-cision was a grudging one.

The foreign ministers are due to report on the matter to the European summit at the end of next month, but ltaly today suggested that Italy today suggested that there really was no point in even bringing the subject up before the heads of government then. That is clearly impossible, but it proves the reluctance among Britain's partners to talk about so disruptive a Community subject.

Lord Carringto hopes that it will be possible for the meeting on March 23 to discuss "illustrative figures" on how much money is involved so that the argument can be brought out into ment can be brought out into
the open. He suggested that
the whole matter could even
be settled then, although his
speech in Hamburg showed
that he really did not envisage such a quick solution.

The report for study at the
next meeting will be prepared
by Mr. Gaston, Thorn, the

Mr Tindemans said after today's meeting that he was neither optimistic nor pessimistic about being able to find a solution, although he hoped agreement might be possible at the next Council. "The will is present to avoid a major crisis in the Community," he said.

In an article published in the Hamburger Abendblatt to coincide with his visit there, Lord Carrington hinted that finding a solution would not

Lord Carrington hinted that finding a solution would not be easy for Britain any more than for other countries. "It is bound to be a difficult and painful process before interests are reconciled and solutions found," he wrote.

In both the article and the

speech he emphasized West Germany was in the same difficulties as Britain in fighting for a fair budget contribution, making it obvious that support from Bonn is seen as a vital factor in obtaining the kind of concessions which Britain wants. cessions which Britain wants.

I Lord Carrington reacted tersely to reports that Mr Alexander Haig, the United States secretary of state, had called him a "duplicitious bastard" (AP reports).

It was Lord Carrington's first direct reaction to remarks Mr Haig was reported to have made to staff mem-

to have made to staff mem-bers during a freewheeling private discussion last October.
"I'm only thankful that I do not have people like that around me who tell tales, or whatever it was". Lord Carrington told reporters.

He declined to alshows the state of the state of

He declined to elaborate, beyond saying he was talking about Mr Haig's staff, the apparent source of the leak. According to the report, Mr Haig made the remark during a discussion of British policy towards Israel and Arab countries. Spokesmen for both officials have as-serted that Lord Carrington and Mr Haig have an excel-lent relationship by Mr Gaston Thorn, the President of the European Commission, and by Mr Leo Tindemans, the Belgian

#### Uganda violence

# Knowledge of death at the point of a gun

correspondent recently in Kampala, explains the roots of violence in the country.

The attack by guerrillas on a Kampala army barracks is the latest incident in a city where many forms of viol-"The moral fabric of our

society has been torn apart", Mr Patrice Masette Kuuya, Uganda's Minister of Rehabilitation, said in a recent interview. "The Amin years and the war changed mental attitudes, made people cal-

"Take someone who is 16 years old now. He hardly knew any decent living. He knew death and he knew guns, and we have lots of guns in this country."

The climate of insecurity is only one of the problems the return Uganda to its former prosperity. According to prosperity. According to government figures, Uganda has more university graduates than Kenya and Tanzania put together. But many fled the rule of the gun and live abroad.

The picture is not all bleak. Western economists say that the Government's economic

the Government's economic measures of last year have begun to take hold. A recovery package, drawn up in consultation with advisers from the International Monetary Fund, last year "floated" the Ugandan shilling, sharply raised producer prices for key commodities (the price for coffee was quadrupled), and lifted price

controls.
The Government expects Uganda to be self-sufficient in food, as it was until 1971, in food, as it was until 1971, by the middle of the year.

In a gesture of confidence, West Germany and Britain wiped out Uganda's debts, the EEC increased its aid, and the IMF provided \$179m (about £90m) to speed the country's recovery.

Meanwhile, the government of Uganda, a country which has been a killing-ground for Kampala residents say that,

In this report on Uganda, compared with a few months Bernard Debusmann, a Reuter correspondent recently in the streets. Road-blocks are manned by police or a para-military unit called the Special Force.

This unit, now about 600 strong, is being trained by a three-man team from Falcon Star, a private British company composed of former members of the British armed forces.

Help in training the reg-ular Army has come from Sudan, Tanzania and Kenya, according to Mr Peter Otal, Minister of State for Defence. The United States has offered eight places for officer training, which have been accepted.

Amin's murderous eight-year reign was ended by a 45,000-strong invasion force from Tanzania backed by a motley band of armed Ugan-dan exiles who had litle in common but scant military experience and the resolve to get rid of Amin.

This Army is now esti-mated at about 10,000 and has been blamed for much of the violence which has continued to rack Uganda since Amin

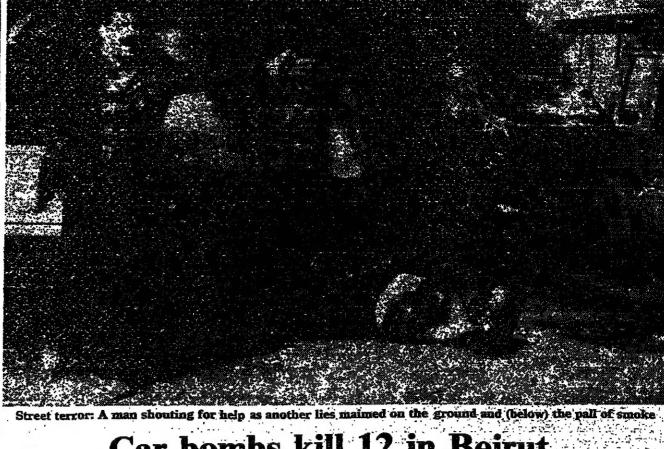
"We are trying to put into shape a young Army", said Mr Otai in an interview. "It is an Army which has to be converted from a liberation army into a proper pro-fessional army."

It is an uphill task, diplo-

mats here say, because the armed forces now have a bad image. According to opponents of President Obote's Government, the Army and a ragged militia of about 5,000 have been responsible for a long list of brutalities, rivalling, or even brutalities rivalling, or even surpassing, those committed by Idi Amin's henchmen.

"Since the present Govern-ment came to power (in December 1980), thousands of Ugandans have been arrested and subjected to extensive torture", Mr Paul Semogerere, leader of the opposition Democratic Party said.

Yet, judging from the accounts of Ugandans and foreign diplomats, the situation in Uganda has been slowly improving, if only in terms of bad things happen-ing less frequently than they



# Car bombs kill 12 in Beirut

From Robert Fisk Beirut, Feb 23

By Beirut standards, it was a fairly routine bloodbath.
The car bombers had judiciously chosen the most crowded street market in crowded street market in West Beirut and left their cargoes — two Pengeot saloons crammed with explosives — i with traffic. — in a road jammed

Raouche was once a fashionable corniche above the Mediterranean; but today it is a rundown, shabby highway of stalls, hucksters and lamourade stands so the and lemonade stands, so the victims came from the poor

of Lebanon's capital.

The death toll had reached only 12 by tonight, which is a modest casualty figure for Beirut's bombers. When the Iraqui Embassy blew up last December, 61 people were

But today's little assault incinerated half a dozen stall holders and their customers and blasted toos of glass on to shoppers and passing motorists. The shock waves of the explosion could be felt - a gentle pressure on the chest — almost two miles away and there was no mistaking the coil of black smoke that drifted up over the sea.

For hours afterwards,

blood lay splashed along a hundred yards of pavement and 16 charred cars lay smouldering beside the road. The second bomb exploded 10 minutes after the first, when ambulance crews were already trying to save the wounded, and within an hour Beirut's telephone terrorists were in action.

The Front for the Liberation of Lebanon from Foreigners, which claimed responsibility for most of the bombings in the country in recent months, insisted that it had planted the car bombs. Then a hitherto unheard of organization of equally doubtful provenance. The Holy Struggle Movement, said that it was to blame. No motives were claimed

and none advanced, although the political effect of the bombs was the same as always, another fractional lessening of public confi-dence in the authorities.



# **Obscenities** hurled at coup trial reporters

Shouts of Fuera mierda Shouts of fuera micraa ("Get out you shits") rang through the Madrid couptrial courtroom today as military observers and other speciators staged a noisy demonstration against Spanish and foreign journal-

The first disruption in an emotional trial involved officers of the three services from all over Spain and families of the 32 officers accused of involvement in the attempted military takeover a year ago

today. It came after a three-how delay as the accused refused to enter court until something was done about an article published this morn-ing on the front page of the pro-Government Madrid duly

pro-Government Madrid daily Diario 16.

The article was published under the headline How we assaulted Parliament", and purported to be an interview wife one of the military policemen from the Brunets Armoured Division who entered Parliament.

The soldier, under an essumed name, alleged that Captain Carlos Alvarez Arenas turned to one of the policemen under his command as they entered the chamber declaring: "Whoever takes one step back, I

chamber decisting wno-ever takes one step back. I will personally shoot him in the neck."

Sector Jesus Gomez, coun-sel for the captain, who face a seven-year sentence and dismissal from the Army, described the alleged interview as a "grave provocation to the court and interference with the course of justice". It was an ignominious and invented calumny of his

client.
General José Claver Tor-rente, the military prosecutor, amounced an investigation would be opened into the facts alleged in the interview, to establish responsibility on the grounds they constituted

ne grounds they constituted prima facie Crime Lieutemant-General Fer-mando de Santiago, one of the military co-defenders of the accused, then harangued the accused, then harangued the court, his voice almost broken with anger. "What is published in Diario 16 is a the honour of the accused but all the armed forces as an

Aivarez Rodrigues, president of the Supreme Council of Military Justice, then ordered Senor Pedro Ramirez, the editor of Diario 16 who has been personally covering the proceedings, to leave court. The newspaper's +accreditation was suspended After the editor stood up and started to leave, other Spanish journalists +accompanied him, followed after a pause by the foreign of abuse and "Bravof"

Senor Ramirez, who was called in twice over the interview by General Antonio one waited for the process ings to recommence, said afterwards he had been "some time ago as a contri-bution to the anniversary of

# Atlanta murder trial man denies dumping body

From Neil Sutherland, Atlanta, Feb 23

ccused of two of a number of murders committed here, denied throwing anything let alone a body — off a bridge over the Chattahoo-chee River. The 23-year-old music producer seemed caim and confident today as he defended himself against

"I wanted to find it when I

vasn't caught up in rush-

the two murders and hadinks with 10 other killings. He told the packed court-room: "I didn't throw any-thing off that bridge."

Mr Williams, who is slightly built, said he was not big enough to have lifted a dead body. "I haven't ever tried to lift 140 lb. I doubt if I could." He said he was in the area about 2 am on May 22 when police on watch claim they heard a splash, such as a body falling into the water. He said he was there because he was trying to find the home of a woman he was supposed to meet for a musical audition.

Wayne Williams, who is hour traffic." When he was unable to find the address he started for home, but was stopped by police some distance from the bridge.

Mr Williams said he drove over the bridge without stopping, but stopped to use a telephone after he had crossed it.

When police stopped him and said they knew he had thrown a body into the river, Mr Williams said he replied: "You must be crazy." He denied that he was

media freak" who delighted in the publicity that sur-rounded his arrest and even gave a press conference. Speaking of his feelings about reporters who sur-rounded his home at the time of the arrest, he said: "As far as I was concerned, they could all go and jump in the

He said he spoke to the press to try to put his side of the story and in reaction to constant police surreillance and trailing, which was "just ridiculous".

#### **BRITON IN** COMPUTER BAN CASE

From Our Own Correspo New York, Feb 23

An Englishman has been indicted on 30 counts of selling restricted high tech-nology equipment to Poland

noiogy equipment to Poland; Romania and Bulgaria.
Brian Moller-Butcher, from Camberley, Surrey, owner of MES Equipment Inc. in Boston, denied the allegations before a district

court there. The charges are the tirst of their kind since October when President Reagan ordered that no American high technology should be sold to the Soviet bloc.

the Soviet bloc. Mr Ed Kitritch, a spokes man for the United States Customs Service in Washing-ton, said today that the enforcement operation enforcement operation, known as Exodus, involved teams of customs agents, nspectors, patrol officers mport specialists mport specialists an accountants in 10-cities. The federal indictmen against the men says they exported equipment that was "controlled for national

security reasons".

murdered in Harlem

Black activist's son is

Innis, the black civil rights activist, has been murdered.

activist, has been murdered. He was shot twice in the chest in Harlem after an apparent robbery on Saturday and stripped of allidentification.

The police confirmed that they had identified Mr Alex ander Innis, who was 26, by fingerprints. In 1969 his brother Roy, aged 13, was shot dead by a man who fired into a crowd in the Bronx. Another brother, Kwame, aged 14, was injured in November when a gang stabled him in the back outside the family home in Harlem.

Another son of Mr Roy unconfirmed report that is, the black civil rights Alexander was involved in a vist, has been murdered dispute with three people, was shot twice in the ope of whom shot him. His absence from home since Samurday had not been regarded as unusual by his family. Mr Wendall Garnett, a senior official of the congress, said: "Alexander was a grown man who was brother Roy, aged 13, was Alexander had been working as a driver for a delivery into a crowd in the Bronx.

Another brother, Kwame, amateur boxer with hopes of aged 14, was injured in becoming a professional. He November when a gang had worked with his father's outside the family home in Harlem.

Their father, executive director of the Congress of Racial Equality today called fine congress since 1968, is for the creation of a non frequently criticized for his racial citizens organization and two daughters. Last city morgue.

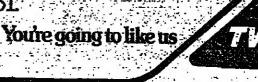
The police in Harlem said flaving with other executives today that witnesses to the of the organization, misapparoxiding only sketchy details, but there was an funds in 1976-77. Alexander had been work-

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# Four cities, four crises, 2: Glasgow housing Home is

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Glasgow City Chambers belie It is the elements of the image of a crumbling industrial depression, unwill-city. The building is on the ingness to work elsewhere the image of a crumbling city. The building is on the grand Victorian scale, braced by marble and an air of great opulence that would give polish to the dullest councilthat the city forefathers were world with ships and steam to the city is effectively cut.

It does not appear to be the civic centre of a city with some of the worst social problems in Western Europe, that spends millions each year repairing the work of vaudals or handling the problems caused by unem-ployment, violence, drink, urban deprivation and a huge civic debt. The chambers are a memory of Glasgow as it was, the workshop of the British Empire. Beyond the city centre with its many handsome buildings and out in the wastelands of Springburn, Maryhill and the soulless peripheral housing estates at Drumchapel and Easterhouse or the several of Easterhouse, or the sprawl of dead dockland, the trouble is clear to see.

It is the scale of Glasgow's housing crisis that is so daunting. All industrial cities with a similar history of pre-war greatness share the problem but rarely on such a scale, and decent housing is recognized as the important key to improvement. One estate alone contains more people than the city of Perth and Glasgow is ringed by such estates; barrack blocks of flats threaded by narrow roads and separated by bleak open space.
They are places of despair

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where unemployment can reach 50 per cent, where families run to three generations without a member finding a job and where any form of extremism may take root. Rent arrears run to more than £4m a year, half the council tenants receive some form of state help and Glasgow has more council tenants than any city in Britain. Two thirds of the housing stock is councilowned, a reflection of the city's socialist background which has helped substantially towards creating a civic debt approaching £1,000m.

Against this the city has shrunk in size dramatically. Glasgow in recent years had population of more than a million but by decanting people to the New Towns of west Scotland and through natural emigration, the popu-lation now stands at 762,000. The fault for the upheaval and the social destruction that followed may be shared Glasgow's industrialists frankly failed to respond to change and, when the ships and machines they could produce, many famous away. names sank into liquidation.

New techniques required director of housing for fewer workers yet Glaswe- Glasgow, took over the task gians, who paradoxically are three years ago of running renowned for exporting their the largest department of its skills all over the world, were kind in western Europe with relucant to move even a few multi-million pound assets miles down the Clyde to find equalling in value those of work. The post-war housing in the sees the social revival crisis demanded an urgent solution and so the "instant" operation between public and schemes, which had no private sectors. Since his thought for social amenity, arrival, and a more enrose on the edge of the city, lightened approach by the isolating large numbers of council, there have been distinct improvements in the committee.

and a legacy of bad housing policy that have weighed heavily against present-day Glasgow. It is not an image lor and authority to the most that the city councillors banal council minute. High, enjoy. The contraction of the elegantly decorated colling city has many lands. elegantly-decorated ceilings city has meant less rates and sweeping stairways tell revenue from industry and the Labour leadership desmen of wealth and weighty reputation who made "Clyde measures that do not allow built" into a synonym for the council to increase their robust, high quality engineer. ing and who supplied the same time rate support grant

> The demand is strong for small manufacturing premises, successors perhaps to the traditional "railway arch" business in Glasgow. The Glasgow Eastern Area Renewal (Gear), now in its sixth year, is having a marked impression on one of the most derelict areas of the city. Gear had the daunting task of improving the largest area of multiple deprivation in western Europe.
> It is a combined operation

> coordinated by the Scottish Development Agency and involving the district and regional councils, Scottish Special Housing Association, Glasgow Health Board, the Housing Corporation financing five housing associations involved and the Manpower Services Commission. From this impressive union of quangos and bureaucracies has come more than £120m spent to build or renovate 7,500 homes and 80,000 sq ft of factory space. Some 3,500 jobs have been generated in this 4,000-acre swathe of eastern Glasgow and the prospect is hopeful.

Some remain sceptical, pointing out that social renewal had not happened on the scale that was hoped for. There were too many retired people and unskilled workers together with the chronically sick. The middle class remained totally absent; no 
"gentrification" of the area had occurred. Shops and cinemas had closed for lack of support. Perhaps more of the area should be returned. to landscaped open space, the Glasghu or "dear, green place" of the ancient Celts.

Gear officials accept the criticism but wonder if the memory of the "hell hole" class into the area helped by the right to buy will never be accommodation in the inner the Strathclyde structure exercised.

Mr Andrew Flockhart, the shoddier parts of the city.



Getting the past in perspective

Mrs Mary Brockett is a beneficiary of the battle to beat the has been provided by the GEAR project which in six years has housing crisis in East Glasgow, the largest area of multiple coordinated £120m in bousing expenditure. The most important deprivation in Europe. She looks out of the window of her new onehousing crisis in East Glasgow, the largest area of multiple deprivation in Europe. She looks out of the window of her new one-hedroomed flat across the street to the "dear old dump with paper-thin walls" where she and her kusband used to live. Her new home

Instead of flattening the old tenements and either leaving discount to first-time home buyers, has been very suc-cessful—even in places where empty prairies of broken it had been impossible to let stone or a new growth in characteriess concrete, the accent has been on renothe flats to council tenants. "The homesteaders fin-ished off the flats themselves

The council has released and many of them are now little palaces. Cars are land for private sector development even on the most troubled council estates on little palaces. Cars are appearing outside some houses where there have not an understanding that the been cars for years. We know developer renovates some of the derelict council property from experience that this kind of improvement can lift an area just as quickly as vandalism can bring it nearby. A "homesteading" scheme, through which the council made vandalized flats wind-proof and watertight down", a council officer said. and then sold them at a Last year two banks pro-

vided £4.7m between them for home loans and one building society, underwritten by the council, pro-vided mortgages for property in areas of the city that "did not normally attract building society finance".

done up it was a bit up-market, but it's gone down recently and the old atmosphere's starting to come back."

Glasgow, in spite of its troubles, remains a brisk, raw and a dry-humoured place, with a distinct corporate personality. The Red Clydeside image may have been usurped for the moment by the councillors of Lothian significant that the city did

not suffer the kind of riots that tore other places with a similar record of unemployment, urban decay and deprivation. Why Glasgow escape has been the subject of much speculation. The answer probably lies in the wider tolerance of minority groups in the west of Scotland, probably because they are fewer, not concentrated in shetters and because the ghettos and because the police are closer to the community and generate less of the open hostility that appears south of the border.

Ronald Faux

# An inventory of failure

are notoriously the worst in Britain. But there are similar examples on a smaller scale in Liverpool and Manchester, also in new towns such as While over half of all Coventry and Corby—places households in England as a where even the most persua-whole are in owner-occusive of newly-elected Con-pation, in the English inner sive of newly-elected Con-servative ministers in those heady days after May 1979 would have found it difficult the area was until recent to get a single taker for his years has faded too rapidly. "sale of the century" of They are hopeful of attracting a property-owning middle It is the kind of place where

pian which has restricted the outward spread of private then talked about by Mr old, the poor, the ethnic, the estates and obliged them to George Younger, the Scottish single.

The "social revolution" of people who remain, the old, the poor, the ethnic, the single try the inner city, including Secretary, and by Mr Michael It is in the inner cities, too. the east end. Private developers are building 170 houses for the Environment, was the catches up. Just over a near Glasgow Green and break up of the great slabs of similar development is happening in places around which the building societies cities and districts of cities. historically drew a red line. Ministers' enthusiasm has so scale of clearances when committed in private housing tenure in the cities remains bulldozing was fashionable. committed in private housing tenure in the cities remains buildozing was fashionable. schemes which Gear regards pretty much the same. as the most positive proof that the east end albatross of Population results are classingly deprivation has flown fied we have to infer that

Owner occupied Council rented

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The Glasgow housing estates are explicit—a decline of are notoriously the worst in private renting and the Britain. But there are similar growth of both owner-occupation and council renting.

city areas only one house-hold in six is owner-occupied. And in the inner areas of the cities the proportion of rented council housing is higher than nationally. There is also more private rented

Between 1975 and 1980 17,500 Until the 1981 Census of dwellings were demolished in opulation results are classified we have to infer that nearly 10,000 in Manchester.

Housing Tenure %

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figures for 1980; lest column includes Scottish Special Housing Association Source: Census of Population, 1981; Glesgow district council

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in the inner city areas dwellings lacking at least one "amenity" ( such as an inside years.
toilet or hot running water)
are appreciably greater in and proportion than for dwellings of the same tenure else-

Later this year, provided ministers do not get cold feet about what will inevitably be interpreted as a call for more public expenditure, the Government will publish the latest survey of housing conditions (in England). This is likely to show absolute improvement in several of the gross indices of benefits.

channelling public housing subsidies towards repair and maintenance of the existing pattern from trends visible in Few councils do not now pay bousing stock. The problem the figures for 1961 and 1971. at least lip service to im- of disrepair is not confined These, set out in table one. provement and refurbish-, to the inner city; Outer

Private rented and housing

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ment of the existing stock of estates too — have fallen into houses. However the latest the vicious housin cycle than figures, for 1977, show that shows first when flats when flats get boarded up and remain empty for months and

A remark often overheard in and around Mr Michae Heseltine's entourage during his stay in Liverpool last July was about Toxteth housing: It isn't so bad after all". Toxteth's council housing indeed compares favourably with conditions elsewhere in the city. But it would be hard to exculpate housing as one of the factors behind the flare-up. If tenants cannot or will

most of them any less pressing: how to justify a general housing subsidy to most households of all income levels either through rents or morgage tax relief; how to combine the autarchy of tenant self-control with the public responsibility of councils, including that of allocating housing to the truly needy; how to align the physical surplus of available dwellings over household numbers when no market mechanism works well and bureaucratic allocation polipolitically impossible.

Next week: Coventry errace

The Editor in Chief of Cosmopolitan wrote Sex and the Single Girl 20 years ago: this week British Cosmopolitan celebrates its 10th birthday

# Love, work, and Helen Gurley Brown

"Love and work" said Mrs book at the time, because it Brown, campaigner for said that people were having women's rights "are the Big sex lives without being mar-Two. We were the first ried and they weren't being people to tell women that penalized for it — heavens to work can be — and ought to be - just about as thrilling as a love affair." Helen liberation from guilt and Gurley Brown would prob punishment as a good thing, ably not recognise herself as a leader of women's liberation, but twenty years ago she wrote Sex and the Single Girl a light hearted tract with an entirely serious purpose. Cosmopolitan, the magazine which grew out of the sacks of correspondence she received from the book, was founded in 1965. It now has a circulation of just under am?" you have to be much three million, and she is more careful, and kind, and Editor-in-Chief.

Most women's magazines could be described as trade papers, and the Cosmopolitan girl in America is a woman between the ages of 18 and 34, who lives in a city of over one million population, and who earns her own living. British Cosmopolitan which celebrates 10 years of life this week, is top of the circulation league of women's magazines at 440,000. It differs from its American parent in that 50% of its readers are under 25, they are well educated work ing women. Under the guid-ance of Deirdre McSharry, editor for the past 9 years, it continues on a highly suc-

essful course. Helen Gurley Brown is a slim, elegant women, with huge brown eyes, which miss nothing. The seat of power in America is a corner office with windows, and her own is pretty, flower filled and wall papered, and is quite clearly the powerhouse. Twenty years ago girls were secretaries, and went to

job interviews wearing hats and gloves. Helen Gurley Brown can remember the first woman she met now had a secretary of her own. "I was a secretary, and women were secretaries, librarians, nurses, teachers and zirls — a woman with a ecretary was like meeting goddess, somebody from another world, another planet! It was wonderful to have a good job and get your boss's speech ready and type

it and hand him his itinerary, plane ticket and Burberry and send him to the air port, but it's much better when they hand you your speech and your ticket and itinerary and your Burberry and send you to the airport. It's better to get recognition for what you do, and we have given this message to our readers from the begining."

Sex and the Single Girl

improvement in seventher the gross indices of housing quality. But, worryingly, a marked rise in the proportion of houses in a state of serious disrepair will be revealed: in more modern houses built since 1919 and in known since the housing houses built since 1919 and in known since the housing retarial jobs before going to work for the big American last Labour Government; the Covernment's House energy, ability and charm and promoted his secretary into being one of the highest paid women copy writers of the time.

> witty, sometimes cynical ("If your boss likes his wife, you like his wife. If he hates wife, you like his wife. This will establish you as a saint") and sometimes perhaps rather too mercenary nothing was for nothing, and looking back over 20 years, one comes to the conclusion that she was right. She was

The book was sometimes

also a liberator, in that she revealed what everyone knew David Walker | but were afraid to say. was considered a very racy

penalized for it - heavens to betsy, they were enjoying it!"
While Mrs. Brown regard there is a tinge of regret. "Women are now expected to be sexually active, and I think it might be a tiny bit of a burden. If you are not just having a great passionate time every moment, you might ask yourself if there was something the matter. You can no longer say "What kind of a girl do you think I subtle, if you don't want to go to bed with a man." In the past, she thinks, it was more fun. (She has been happily married for nearly 25 years to David Brown, film pro-ducer and director of the Zanuck/Brown Company, which made The Sting, and laws, among others.) "One Jaws, among others.) "One went along with the very romantic dating and mating games being played by the old rules. Some of the romance has gone out of sex

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Mrs. Brown briskly, we all knew it was a game, but it was a game, but it was fun and if we have sacrificed some of the fun,

then we have gained

Helen Gurley Brown power, responsibility, work,

There are several things left which trouble her about a woman's world — the fact that women still don't get equal pay for equal work, and the problem of mother-hood and a career. No one ever asks a man if he would give up his work for his family life. "We did predate the women's liberation move-ment, but it's wonderful.— I think it's working good!"

She points out that she doesn't have a college degree, she was never considered beautiful or especially intelligent, her family was poor and she wrote an extraordinarily successful book and is the Editor of a magazine that sells just under 3 million copies. "I still feel the same excitement as I did when we began. I used to love advertizing anything you think or feel — and anything which makes you successful in your personal life can be trans-ferred into business — your energy, your intuition, your empathy. In editing, you also have to use your judgment, and I practically would work without being paid, I enjoy it so much."

Elegant, assured, witty and absolutely in charge, she is, and always will be, the Cosmo Girl.

Philippa Toomey

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After the ambitious scale of United Kingdom, Jim Allen's new play was a rueful Mancunian comedy of approaching male menopause and marriage that was perfect in all its proportions and length a reseguality new

length — a rare quality now that single plays have started to follow serials into listless-ness and obesity: at 55 minutes Willie's Last Stand

minutes Willie's Last Stand (BBC 1) was just right. It was very funny, too. Marriage was what you undertook to share with the girls who went on saying no until you did, after which you spent the rest of your life wishing you had not; If the Government passed a law saying that all women and children would be provided for if their

# Wagner's own sort of midsummer magic

Die Meistersinger

Covent Garden

The Royal Opera's most recent production of Wagner's Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg dates from 1969. It was not very distinguished to look at, still less so at its only revival two years later, since when it has remained under wraps. Now it has taken on a new lease of life, thanks to an intersection children. thanks to an interesting, skilfully chosen cast, virtually all new, to a newly rethought production by Hans Hartleb using Barry Kay's existing sets; and to Sir Colin Davis's characteristically enthusiastic and penetrating musical interpretation, the first time he has conducted it. Do not expect perfection, but already on Monday night Wagner's midsummer magic was working potently. was working potently.

Davis launched the overture warmly, lyrically and grandly. Occasionally, here and later, some dislocation of ensemble momentarily blurred the clean textures; generally we were drawn to admire the vital lift, even the bounce, of David's music, and the third verse of Beckmesser's serenade, and the popular revelry before the song-contest by the Pegnitz. More important, Davis maintained the music's tension so that each act could be felt as a whole, not just as set pieces with connecting passages.

Barry Kay's sets look respect-able, and Hartleb finds them dramatically serviceable too. It is inconvenient that in church Eva sits with her back to her suitor Stolzing: their furtive ogling during the hymn has to become something less clandestine, and I was not surprised that some of the congregation eyed the bold

stranger askance as they left St Katharine's Church.

The chief merits of Hartleb's production are firm, credible characterization of all the principal roles, and neat, lucid presentation of the major set-pieces. Each of the 12 Mastersingers is a personality, particularly Francis Egerton's dynamic mini-Vogelgesang, John Dobson's ancient Zorn, bespectacled and snowy-bearded, and Barry Mora's popinjay Kothner ("Zu einer Freiung"

bearded, and Barry Mora's popinjay Kothner ("Zu einer Freiung"
needs more tonal substance than
he gave it, though the later
"Koloratur" was nicely voiced, as
is proper to the proud clerk of
such a guild).

Gwynne Howell's Pogner gave
vocal and musical pleasure all the
evening, his tiny monologue at the
beginning of the second act as
much as his big formal Address
about his plans for the Feast of St
John. It was a pleasure to see
quite a young Pogner, especially
since Howell is regularly cast in
grandfather parts, and has to
disguise his handsome young
bass. Again I admired his vivid,
fluent German.

Geraint Evans has been our regular and masterly Beckmesser for more than 20 years. In the last Covent Garden revival his por-Covent Garden revival his por-trayal was moving perilously towards burlesque. This time it has recovered credibility and something approaching likability. As referee of his rival's entrance examination, this Beckmesser is dangerous, not absurd; his hal-lucinatory mime in Sachs's work-shop is absurd, but painfully realistic. realistic.

He is a gruesomely unprepos-sessing suitor for Eva (unlike Hermann Prey at Bayreuth), but so intent on his serenade beneath-her window that his enthusiasm is



Lucia Popp's enchanting Eva, with Reiner Goldberg (left) and Gwynne Howell

shared, and you are almost sorry when David beats him up. I have to report that Sir Geraint's voice is in lusty form, though he ducked his last top A in the

Hartleb brings Beckmesser back to the festal gathering at the end, despite his discomfiture, and even shows him welcomed affectionately by the circle of his fellow-guildsmen — Sir Geraint's meekness here is touching indeed. He has returned hartly observed He has returned hardly observed. Just so, Hans Sachs's arrival at the Singing School goes unnoticed (a parallel?). Hans Sotin is a big. burly man, and he holds the stage for the rest of the opera, an

unpretentious cobbler, but mani-festly the idol of his friends and neighbours.

Sotin's impersonation of Sachs is worth watching, even when he is not at the centre of the action, spying on the lovers as they plan to elope, amusedly observing the street-brawl from one side, not interfering until he can field Eva, Walter and David all with one set of actions. He is a gentle giant, as we realize from Sotin's unforced, exquisitely expressive account of his four famous monologues and the Cobbling Song — what a marvellous role for such a voice, and such an artistic tower of

This Sachs is handsome too, and he is obviously dear to this Eva, Lucia Popp, a new impersonation for her, in a heavier sort of ation for her, in a heavier sort of vocal music than heretofore. It suits her voice perfectly, and she shows us a rich, spoiled young girl, high-spirited and generously affectionate, tall and willowy and absolutely delectable. She made sure that all the music in her part counded as enchanging as Wagner sounded as enchanting as Wagner (identifying with Sachs and Walter

Much was hoped of the new Stolzing, Reiner Goldberg from the State Opera in East Berlin. He is personable in appearance, hardly romantic: his voice is big

at once) carefully planned.

and secure, but not heroically alluring. Hopes may be fulfilled when he is familiar with the house and the production.

We have a winsome, eager new David in Robert Tear, delightful in his lesson on composition technique, robust in his assault on Rechnique, robust in his assault on Rechnique. Beckmesser, almost unrecogniz-able without his beard and with a thatch on top. He looks the part but, as with the other Apprentices. I always wish somebody would cast real boys (not girls in drag) and immediate post-graduate young men, for real credibility: this revival does well, if not ideally, in that respect ideally, in that respect.

William Mann

Concerts

# Purest Britten

Medici Quartet

Waterloo Room

A selection of twentieth-century British string quartets, which is what the Park Lane Group are offering in the series of four concerts that opened on Monday, is not at all the arid prospect it might first appear. For, after a century and a half of more or less permanent residence in Vienna, the muse of the string quartet has lately found her dwelling further afield, and most of the great quartets of the last 50 years, when there have not been when they have not been written by Shostakovitch, have come from composers in English-speaking coun-tries: Schoenberg, Carter and Babbitt in the United States, and here Britten, Tippett, Bridge and many others.

It was Britten's third quartet that completed and crowned this opening concert, overshadowing every-thing else. Nor could it have been otherwise. The Medici were sometimes strained by the rarefaction of the music and the purity, but more than enough remained to make one wonder at the constant surprisingness achieved with minimum means: how the opening Moderato finds movement in rest, and rest in Theatre

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Sisters

movement; how the finale obliges one to regard its tune as accompaniment and its accompaniment as the main interest. Still more astonishing is the completeness with which Britten removes from his swan song all personal traits. His substance is the basic substance of the art, his matter of depth and generality that goes far beyond individual expression. sations remote from the bustle of a party that con-tinues around them. All the At the moment, with the

Dominic Muldowney's first The play dates from 1968, quartet, a student work, had the informality, the sketchi-ness that is one of his most attractive qualities, but it was a strangely unfond farewell late romanticism. Elisabeth Lutyens's Diurnal, her op 146, was an abstract dawndusk study of irritating Webernism.
David Matthews's second David Matthews's second quartet, though, was a work of generosity and passion, hampered only by a harmonic fixity at odds with its galloping ideas: perhaps the links with tonality could be loosened or made to work harder. benevolently

Paul Griffiths

husband, another has worked

in a dubious club until she reached the age of 30, only to be tossed aside by her lover, and a teenage girl is secretively pregnant, at least for a

In all the swirling currents of Sisters, with the Quebec French translated into Cana-dian English by John Van Eurek and Bill Glassco, there is a steady, alluring revel-ation of deceit. The moral judgments handed out at irregular intervals by most of

has the benefit of super

London debuts

# Beauty under cruel pressure than his other songs on texts

In Hindemith's Viola Sonata, companied viola was frankly Op 11 No 4, Jan Latham a relief, and showed, as had Koenig was often too loud in only been glimosed until only been glimosed until now, that Mr Knox has a the keyboard part; fortes and fortissimos were absurdly exaggerated, and it was sometimes impossible to hear Garth Knox, whose debut recital it was. Henze's Viola Sonata had been given its UK premiere by these players as part of a 1980 concert by the Garth Knox, whose debut recital it was. Henze's Viola Sonata had been given its UK première by these players as part of a 1980 concert by the Latham-Koenig Ensemble. That performance was superior, although this one was an improvement on the Hindemith if only because the pianist had fewer opportunities for loud playing, though it was still difficult to hear Mr Knox at some points.

Sonata, Op 147, the last work he completed, the pianist was generally more restrained. Mr Knox played with superior vividness and immediacy, and the protracted finale's insistent allusions to Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata were handled with tact.

Any music by Debussy is of interest, but "Musique", which was given its British première by Rosemarie Lanhear Mr Knox at some points.

dance opens on April 23. It is reckoned to have the scope and size of the Edinburgh

Festival and this year per-

formances will take place not only in Guanajuato, where the festival started, but elsewhere in the country, including Mexico City itself.

Britain will be represented by the National Theatre. Other visitors include Leo-

Door of the Sun for unac- dating from 1883, it is weaker

NT to visit Mexico

Mexico's tenth Cervantes Theatre of Russia. There will Festival of theatre, music and be recitals by Placido

though it was still difficult to hear Mr Knox at some points.

Peter Maxwell Davies's The A setting of Paul Bourget

be recitals by Placido Domingo, Claudio Arrau and

• The International Bel-

vedere competition for opera

singers, organized by the Wiener Kammeroper, will be held in Vienna from July 17 to 22. The jury will be composed of a number of

opera house and festival directors, including Sir John Tooley, Brian Dickie and

John Drummond from Britain. The age limit for competitors is 35.

Vladimir Ashkenazy.

"Paysage sentimental", that belong to the same year. The former, which includes faint and distant anticipations of beautiful, resonant tone and a large, flexible technique. In Shostakovich's long, gloomy Sonata, Op 147, the last work Mélisande's phrases, was also performed, and both items were sung in an aptly passive In fact the whole Debussy group was quite good, for, although Miss Landry's soprano voice is without

much colour, it suited the wan, moonstruck landscapes evoked — particularly, of course, by Mallarme's "Apparition". Settings of Ronsard by Leguerney were undistinctive but again lay conveniently for her voice and she produced a beautiful Further Ronsard songs by

Roussel, for voice and flute, required a more positive manner, yet were fairly successful; and Robert Bick proved himself a suave flautist. Miss Landry is best in quiet, private, small-scale music where the voice is not under much pressure, and Poulenc's charmingly whimsical Cinq Poèmes de Max Jacob were more firmly characterized than an earlier Berlioz group that was beyond her grasp. At the piano Dalton Baldwin was not altogether his usual immacu-

Max Harrison

be provided for if their menfolk abandoned them, you would see the biggest jailbreak in history.

Willie (Paul Freeman), happily married to Bernic, not agree: on the other hand, copping the birds was like getting the sun on your face and feeling at 40 the hand of old age tighten its grip; Willie decided to turn to the sun like and the sun like the sun on your face and feeling at 40 the hand of old age tighten its grip; Willie decided to turn to the sun just once more, with the golfing widow and publi-can's wife Lil (the stunning and wise Colette O'Neill). He failed, and virtuous, paper-

hanging Bernie's luck was in.
In the background, there was
real marital brutably and
tedium, the misery of unemployment and pride destroyed, together with mindless racist chatter in the Public Bar. Realism and believability throughout, plus a nice dryness and detachment to keep the comedy buoyant and sentimentality at her bay.

"It was not a row of coffins", explained Isadora Duncan of an hallucination on tour in St Petersburg, "but fatigue". With all her gush about an art born of the sea, meetings of twin souls and acclaimed tournays in America, Europe and Russia, Isadora is impossible to take entirely seriously, and yet, beyond the staggering selfby this poet, "Romance" and consciousness and barefootconsciousness and barelootin-the-door salesmanship,
there is something heroic,
too. I have not seen MacMillan's full-length ballet in the
theatre, but remembering
some of the less than
welcoming reviews the origingle received, not least on
this page, I should guess that
Derek Bailey's film of Isadora Derek Bailey's film of Isadora (Granada) strengthened the coherence of Gillian Freeman's scenario considerably.

Anthony Wall made a thoroughly artful film for Arena (BBC2) about that most artless of subjects, Roy Plomley and Desert Island Discs. Mr Plomley collaborated on the joke with quiet but liberated glee, first as a kind of benign Keeper of the Heavenly Gate (perfect casting), next showing his security pass to the man at the door of the BBC, next as Nelson, and finally in Plom-ley's Ultimate Nightmare, as skipper of Broadcasting House itself, steering her like the Titanic, all lights ablaze, through storm-tossed seas. When not talking to Paul Macartney, Kenneth Galbraith, Frankie Howerd, Trevor Brooking and The Lord Mayor of London, Plomley played the ultimate castaway behind a windbreak of Shakespeare and the Bible on a studio beach.

Michael Ratcliffe

# RCS/Davies

Festival Hall

specifically inspiration of The Dream of Gerontius might seem to limit the work's appeal. But the power of Cardinal Newman's imagery and the sincerity of universal and lasting popularity. Perhaps it is for this reason that its impact in performance depends more than ever on the integrity of the central character, Geron-

Catholic

Kenneth Collins had some fine moments in his singing of the role, top notes ringing out heroically. But robustness is not everything here. Gerontius is by turns fearful, confident, vulnerable, expec-tant; in this interpretation there was very little modulation of tone in persuit of these varied states of mind. Where the melodic line cried out to be shaded, there was inflexibility and, in place of fervent entreaty, we had

operatic sobs. Mr Collins's cavalier way with the text never boded well; Newman's poetry may not be to every-body's taste but that is no reason to rewrite it. Most of all, I missed a sense of wonderment in this Gerontius, a sense of discovery.

Fortunately those qualities were present in abundance in the other two solo parts and Elgar's music have given it a in Meredith Davies's masterly handling of the score.
Mr Davies's pace was measured, his ear for detail acute. Every bar throbbed with psychic energy.

Alfreda Hodgson as the Angel and Brian Rayner Cook in the two bass roles impressed their own stamp on the performance, with lovingly phrased, intelli-gently projected lines. The vigorous singing of the Royal Choral Society lacked nothing in weight or grandeur, but some passages left them cruelly exposed. In sum, a noble Gerontius sadly undermined by its central character.

**Barry Millington** 

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# no longer on the fringe. It has become an established theatre touring company, lacking perhaps the subversive edge of its early days but still turning on the socialism twice a year. Its history — and that of Roland Rees, its artistic director — represents a case study of changing theatrical fashion. The tenth birthday is to be celebrated by Foco's pro-duction of Brecht's Edward If at the Round House, starting this evening. The production has been picking up good notices in a pre-season tour to Mold, Croydon and Basildon, all theatres on the "tradition and la surjection of the starting and la surjection of the surjecti the "medium scale" circuit into which the Arts Council has slotted the company. Rees, aged 41, and a graduate of the University of graduate of the University of Wales, fits neatly into his own character study of the typical late-Sixties fringe community membership. To qualify it is advisable to have been born during the war, benefited from the 1944 Education Act, attended a non-Oxbridge university and helped hoist aloft the banner of socialism and art in the palmy days of 1968. Rees's baptism occurred in New York when, struck by the irrelevance of being a Welshman pursuing research into the life of the American black leader Marcus Garvey, he became involved with off-off-Broadway.

"I think I could bring something fresh to other corners of the repertoire . . . "

Matura. It was fringe all the Foco Novo was formed in 1972 to stage the play of the same name by Bernard Pomerance, who was later to become known as the author of The Elephant Man. Pome-"About 70 per cent of the rance raised the money for the production and the compeople in that world were just waiting for their break to get on Broadway. The pany kept one eye on the Arts Council in the hope — though in those expansionary other 30 per cent were there because that was where they wanted to work. I counted days it was more like the myself among the 30 per expectation -- of a subsidy. The performance in a Gospel Oak garage did the trick and the revenue subsidy duly materialized. It continues to Back in England he worked with the Open Space and the Traverse as well as

this day.
"We formed Foco Novo to Inter-Action's Ambience, for Mustapha produce plays with social and

mon angiant opers, nowe admits that his "push game at a stroke. Ther's what we

Coming in from the fringe political content. At that time the fringe was split down the middle. There was the docu-mentary realist type of play which dramatized, for example, industrial disputes, and there was the purely theatrical end. I wanted to bring the two together." But the merger has not come about. Within Foco the battle between the two sides con-tinues. There are documen-taries such as The Nine Days & Saltley Gates by John Chadwick and John Hoyland and classics including Büchner's Woyzeck.

"It was a conflict within Brecht himself, so it's appropriate we have now come back to an early Brecht for our tenth birthday. I have moved away from documen-tary realism myself, but the quarrel remains and it's always been reflected in our

when Foco began operations the big subsidized companies stood apart. Now the Royal Shakespeare Company has its Warehouse and the Other Place and the Royal Court feels a little threatened. Everybody has now dived into the fringe market, fighting for roughly the same, smallish audience. That Foco has survived at all in this context is largely in this context is largely because of Rees. "I suppose it's because I

have always put my work higher than owning a house or a flat. I'm still only paid just under £5,500. I couldn't have kept this up with a mortgage. We're not fringe any more, although the theatre establishment cer-tainly don't regard us as one of their members. The penalty is that it's assumed that I can only direct one type of play, but I think I could bring something fresh to other corners of the reper-Shakespeare pertoire.

Bryan Appleyard

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piece still scintillating in my mind. I can think of nothing else from the last decade that contributes as much to musical experience — certainly not, unfortunately, the other three quartets in this programme.

Dominic Muldowney's first modern equivalent of a barnaising, a gathering together of neighbours who have come to glue in the one million trading stamps received by one of the women as a prize in a competition.

and the dated ring of truth suggests that many of its siggests that many of its elements would go back further in memory. The uniformity of Roman Catholic belief, the tendency towards group prayer with a radio broadcast of the "Hail Mowe" and the charged Marys" and the chorused antipathy to premarital sex, are all frozen in a stylized, satirical

M. Tremblay sympatheti-cally engages with the prob-lems of his women, none of whom is free to determine her own life. They are not all dependent on men, although marriage has forced one woman to endure the twice-daily sexual demands of her

After ten years Foco Novo is

off-Broadway.

which he discovered the black writer Mustapha

the motherly characters are contrasted against their in-creasing thefts of the trading stamps they are pasting in books for their supposed It is a world without hope but not without humour, and

Spencer Butler's production casting, with a company delivering amateur performances that have all the passion and wit of fine professional emsemble play-ing. His design is another matter, a terrifying raked platform which only once has the effect of turning the company into a chorus of singing housewives and spin-

As a British première, it could hardly make a better case for the play, with its monologues, some apt music provided by Micheal Carver, sharp dialogue, argument and insight, and the dynamic tension of intelligent per-formance. f intelligent per-Philharmonic Orchestra, the Boston Ballet with Rudolf Nureyev, and the Rustaveli

Interview: Roland Rees

Warrior.

"soft on communism."

The paradox was more apparent than real. We did not consider a relaxation of tensions a concession to the

Soviets. We had our own reasons for it. We were not abandoning the ideological

struggle, but simply trying - tall order as it was - to

discipline it by precepts of national interest. Nor was

detente without its successes. There is no doubt that our

better relations with the Soviet Union (and China) isolated Hanoi. In 1972 Moscow acquiesced in the mining of North Vietnamese

harbours and the bombing of

Hanoi and Haiphong; by the end of the year Hanoi settled

for terms it had contemp-

Europe the knowledge that

the Americans, too, could talk to the Russians reined in

our relations with

Detente did not prevent

resistance to Soviet expan-

sion; on the contrary, it fostered the only possible psychological framework for

such resistance. Nixon knew

whether it occurred directly

or through proxy, as in Cienfuegos, Jordan, along the Suez Canal, and during

the Suez Canal, and during the India-Pakistan war. He drew it with cool fortitude,

and all the more credibly

because there was national

understanding that we were

not being truculent for its own sake. If the Vietnam war

had taught us anything, it was that a military confron-

tation could be sustained

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In this first of a series of essays extracted from his forthcoming second volume of memoirs, Henry Kissinger discusses the true nature of the policy of detente

# How to deal with Moscow in a nuclear age

Richard Nixon came into office with the well-deserved reputation of a lifetime of anti-communism. He despised liberal intellectuals who blamed the Cold War on the United States and who seemed to believe the Soviet system might be transformed through the strenuous exercise of goodwill. Nixon profoundly distrusted Soviet motives; he was a firm believer in negotiations from positions of strength; he was, in short, the classic Cold Yet after four tumultuous years in office, it was this man, so unlike the conventional intellectual's notion of a peace-maker, who paradoxically was negotiating with the Soviets on the broadest agenda of East-West relations in 25 years. And not long afterwards he found himself accused of what had been a staple of his own early campaign rhetoric: of being

All eyes on the man in the middle: the Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev and President Richard Nixon with Dr Kissinger, then Secretary of State (back to camera) at San Clemente in June, 1973

were convinced there was no. our people. That was what other choice. the Nixon Administration Any American President understood by detente. soon learns that be has a narrow margin for manoeuvre. The United States and the Soviet Union

manocurre. The United nuclear blackmail, how to States and the Soviet Union are ideological rivals. Detente from turning into appease-cannot change that. The ment; how to defend liberty nuclear age compels us to coexist. Rhetorical crusades this is the overwhelming cannot change that, either. Our age must learn the trouble — no, the tragedy — lessons of the Second World is that the dual concept of War, brought about when the democracies failed to under- of maintaining the balance of the designs of a power while exploring a more. positive future, has no auto-matic consensus behind it. totalitarian aggressor, sought foolishly to appease him, and permitted him to achieve a Historically; America immilitary superiority. This agined that it did not have to must never happen again, concern itself with the global whatever the burdens of an equilibrium because geograadequate defence. But phy and a surplus of power isolation. Two schools of thought developed. The liberal ap-proach treated foreign policy

the temptation to blame all tensions on the United States and to seek safety in quasi-neutralism. And later on it must remember as well the lesson of the First World helped us to bring about a War, when Europe, despite the existence of a military balance, drifted into a war no diplomatic revolution in the Middle East.
I also believe that the one wanted and a catastrophe evidence proves exactly the that no one could have imagined. Military planning drove decisions; bluster and posturing drove diplomacy.

An American President thus has a dual responsibility he must regist scholars. opposite of what our critics charged: detente helped rather than hurt the American defence effort. Refore the word detente was even known in America the Congress cut \$40,000m from the defence budgets of bility: he must resist Soviet expansionism and he must be conscious of the profound Nixon's first term; when even risks of global confrontation. so dedicated a supporter of His policy must embrace both deterrence and coexist-American strength as Senator Henry M. Jackson ence, both containment and an effort to relax tensions. If publicly advocated small defence cuts and a "prudent defence posture." After the signature of SALT I, defence the desire for peace turns hudget increased and the Nixon and Ford administrations put through the strategic weapons (the MX becomes a weapon of black-. missile, B-1 bomber, cruise mail by the strong; peaceful missiles, Trident submarines, nations, large or small, will heads) that even a decade later are the backbone of our ruthless. Yet if we pursue the defence programme and that from strategy, if confron-repugnant, tation turns into an end in Through the early part of had been stymied in the

eternal struggle of good with evil, a conflict that recog-nized no middle ground and could end only with victory. Deterrence ran up against liberal ideology and its emotional evocation of peace into an avoidance of conflict liberal ideology and its at all costs, if the just emotional evocation of peace disparage power and seek in the abstract; coexistence refuge in their moral purity, grated on the liturgical antithe world's fear of war communism of the right. communism of the right.
American idealism drove both groups to challenge us from different directions. The mainstream of liberalism found anything connected ideological conflict divorced with the balance of power

Under Brezhnev's eves

Dr Kissinger had talks with Mr Brezhnev in Moscow in the spring of 1973. He was worried about eavesdroppers...

My team - had the usual problem of how to communicate

with one another without becoming immortalized in the KGB tape library. In a strange way we felt somewhat more secure

in the Politburo hunting lodge than in our usual haunt of the state guest house in Moscow. We thought the KGB was likely to be somewhat less exuberant in wiring the vacation retreat

of its own top leadership than in doing so to the residences

specifically designed for foreign guests.

We came equipped, of course, with the so-called babbler, the cassette tape machine emitting incoherent gibberish that allegedly drowned out the sound of our voices for eager

listeners. I do not know whether it worked and I hate to

think that I may have subjected my emotional balance to that

infernal noise-making machine to no avail. It was a close race

between KGB technology and our samty. In any event, my colleagues and I occasionally escaped the babbler by

identifying what we considered one absolutely secure place:

the balcony outside Brezhnev's study to which we repaired during breaks in our meetings. We thought it improbable that Brezhnev would be so imprudent as to allow the Soviet secret police to install eavesdropping equipment in his own office.

tation turns into an end in Through the early part of itself, we will lose the the twentieth century the cohesion of our alliances and United States thought of ultimately the confidence of itself as standing above

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states with human relations.
They emphasized the virtues of trust and unilateral gestures of goodwill. Conservatives saw in foreign

policy a version of the

interest. We would organize mankind by a consensus of moral principles or norms of international law. Regard for How to avoid nuclear war without succumbing to nuclear blackmail, how to the purity of our ideals inspired conservatives, contrarily, to put communism into quarantine; there could be no compromise with the

No doubt the Soviet leaders hoped to convince the democracies — abetted by communist-sponsored front groups and the West's own hopeful interpretation of world affairs — that what had produced the seeming relaxation of tensions was not our vigilance but a basic change in Soviet purpose. More and more western leaders, the hard men in the gear their domestic positions to a relaxation of tensions, pay a growing price for it, and seek refuge from the perils of confrontation by blaming the United States for

That danger was real. But the opposite course was even more perilous. Confrontations not perceived as necessary by the public will divide each country, split our alliances, and produce a quest for peace at any price. No self-respecting demo-cratic leader can sustain himself by treating vigilance and peace as if they were opposites. Our alliances will sundered if they appear as obstacles to peace. To be sure, detente is dangerous if it does not include a strategy of containment. But containment is unsustainable unless peace. The remedy is not to coexistence; it is to give it a content that reflects our principles and our objectives.

Just prior to the summit of 1973, I analysed Brezhnev's motivations in a memorandum to Nixon, and there is a glimpse of his own attitude at the time in the way he underlined some portions (in

italics here): Like all Soviet postwar leaders, Brezhnev sees the US at once as rival, mortal threat, model, source of assistance and partner in physical survival. These conflicting impulses make the motivations of Breakney's policy toward us ambivalent. On the one hand, he no doubt wants to go down in history as the leader who brought peace and a better life to Russia. This requires conciliatory and cooperative policies toward us. Yet, he remains a convinced communist who sees politics as a struggle with an ultimate winner, he intends the Soviet Union to rent efforts to draw us into condominium-type arrange-ments — most notably his

proposal for a nuclear nonaggression pact — are intended both to safeguard peace and to undermine our alliances and other associations.

Almost certainly, Brezh-nev continues to defend his detente policies in Politbu-ro debates in terms of a the main capitalist country and of the ultimate advan-USSR in this conflict. Brezhnev's gamble is that as these policies gather momentum and longevity, their effects will not undermine the very system from which Brezhnev draws his power and legitimacy. Our goal on the other hand is to achieve precisely such ef-fects over the long

The major, long term question is whether the Soviets can hold their own block together while waiting for the West to succumb to a long period of relaxation and to the temptations of Certainly, our chances are logical contest, not a resigas good as Brezhnev's, given the history of dissent

in East Europe. In short, I rejected the roposition of our critics that the Soviet Union stands to benefit more from peace-ful competition than do the democracies. It is a counsel of despair, the opposite of what I believe to be reality. It shows an

American people. Nixon American people. NIXOH never know what mught never would have no part of it. In been possible had America not consumed its authority in Debate" in Moscow he scoffed at Khrushchev's Congressional assaults on a boast that he would bury us — and Nixon was right, him of both the means of Nothing has changed in the containment and the incenintervening two decades to suggest that the communist world, inferior in resources and organization, can outstrip the West in prolonged competition. If the Soviet Union overtakes the West in military power, this will be caused not by detente but by

clearly necessary.

In every communist state it is almost an historic latent if not evident, is over the role of the Communist Party. In Poland, the party

toric conflict with us as tages that will accrue to the

I believe that a normal Nixon Presidency would have managed to attain symmetry between the twin pillars of Nixon would have been able to demonstrate to the conservatives that detente was a means to conduct the ideocompetition. nation from it. And he could have handled the liberal pressures by rallying a majority of moderates behind

used his demonstrated com-mitment to peace to marshal the free peoples of the alliance behind a new approach to defence. a term Nixon was no longer a he normal President. We will

historical pessimism, a serious lack of faith in the the failure of the democracies to do what is

If the West saw to contain-ment, I am convinced that it would win its historical bet. The Soviet Union's economic system is glaringly weak; its ideological appeal has faded; its political base and empire is precarious. In the 60-year history of the state, it has never managed a legitimate, regular, succession of leader-ship. There have in fact been only three changes of leader.
Of the four General
Secretaries of the Communist Party, two (Lenin and Stalin) died in office; the third (Khrushchev) was replaced in a couplike procedure; the fourth (Brezhnev) was still fourth (Brezhnev) was still consolidating his powers in

# The new Oxford snobbery

by Harry Judge

Last week it was revealed in The Times that Wadham greatest social change that College, Oxford, had "sold" the university has accomplaces to two Hongkong plished in any comparable students for £500,000. As period throughout the 700 always, there are compli- years of its existence. cations and explanations:

overseas students do not
count against the home
quota, so no British 18-yearolds will be deprived of
by a dropping of standards.

places. Even so, the old prejudice that Oxford is for the rich - will now be strengthened. Unfortunately that is not the

Recently I met a Director of Education, a man with a great deal of influence over the lives and futures of pupils in many secondary schools. One of these pupils was coming to Oxford. This seemed ground for

pleasure, but not to the pleasure, but not to the administrator. In my innocence I rashly expressed the hope that many more such young people would come to enjoy all that Oxford can ofter — only to be sharply disabused. "No. The place should be destroyed and nothing be done to protect it." nothing be done to protect it against a deserved fate. I hope no youngsters from my area will go there — that would simply preserve a rotten system by sucking

the ultimate crisis.

because it was irrelevant and impotent. And we are still

only at the beginning of that

only at the beginning of that process of transformation. If Moscow is prevented by a firm western policy from deflecting its internal tensions into international crises, it is likely to find only disiliusionment in the boast that history is on its side. I

remain convinced that a long

period of peace will favour the pluralism of a democratic system — the economic vitality, genius for techno-logical innovation, and creati-

his policy of settling concrete

issues. He could then have

But early in his second

In time the Soviets could

not resist the opportunity

presented by a weakened President and a divided America abdicating from foreign responsibilities. By

1975 Soviet adventurism had

returned, reinforced by an unprecedented panoply of

domestic weakness and Soviet power, for many of

our allies detente became

realities of the balance of

power, a substitution of atmospherics for substance.

@ Henry A. Kissinger, 1982

The Sunday Times serializa-

tion from the Kissinger memoirs continues this week-

end with Crisis Day for the

conservatives

Partly as a result of our

vity of free peoples.

This is what I must call the new prejudice. Its tangled roots lie in a compost of damp ideology and sour grapes, and it is every bit as bad as the old prejudice. The robust old version was that Oxford favoured privilege, family wealth and the old school tie. And so, most of the time, and until just

recently, it did.

The gift of admission lay in a small number of plump hands, often those of the head of a college. Links with particular schools and skill in manly sports were assidu-ously cultivated. Admission arrangements, for system there was none, were of byzantine complexity. Closed scholarships protected the status quo, Oxford men as schoolmasters sent up packets of boys to become women fought their way in to become a talented minority carefully excluded ancient buildings and (more important) accumulated wealth. Clever grammar school boys, never from very many schools, were quietly accumulated coopted - to the advantage of the university and of

All that has now been stood upon its head. Entry to never know what might have Oxford is by a competitive examination, taken either before or after A levels. A price has doubtless been weakened President robbed triumphed. Closed scholar-ships have been eliminated. Dons prowl the countryside like medieval friars searching tives for Soviet moderation, rendering resistance impotent and at the same for brains while sixth-formers from comprehensive time driving us toward a schools are welcomed on confrontation without a strategy or the means to back visits and reassured of the accessibility and normality of

the place. A minority of pupils, nostly from comprehensive schools, is even admitted

The facts appear in the figures. If we look simply at the 2,836 undergraduates now in their first year, what do we find? Thirty-nine per cent of them are women. compared with only 25 per cent as recently as 1975. Forty-five per cent secured their places before taking A levels, as against 38 per cent in 1975. Fifty per cent of the whole intake came from maintained schools, of which a rapidly growing number are straightforward comprehensive schools, compared with 44 per cent from maintained schools in 1975 and 40 per cent in 1965.

All this represents the

by a dropping of standards. On the contrary, if we take, as a rough but fair measure, the number of new under-graduates achieving very good A level results (A-B-B only prejudice against which or even better) then the right-minded people now have to fight. Let me give an 73.5 per cent achieved this standard - a quarter more than 10 years ago and three times as many when com-pared with the group enter-ing all British universities.

For the first time, non-public school entrants compose a majority of the new cohort. It could still be argued that this is still not good enough. Those who think it a thoroughly bad thing should declare themselves openly. They appear to believe that we should have no internationally pre-eminent universities, that hier-archies and excellence are in

I think they are mistaken. But, even if they were right, the system we have will last for this century at least. Meanwhile, if the cryptoegalitarians have their way, many able young people from simpler homes will be autocratically diverted from cratically diverted from Oxford, their life chances will be significantly reduced and society as well as the individuals concerned will suffer.

The second argument, which I would be disposed to accept, is that "half is not good enough". After all, the aggressors cry, only 5 per cent of the population at the age of 13 is in private schools, so why should they collect half the Oxford places? That 5 per cent is, however, a misleading figure, and more relevant would be the proportions going on to A level. Here, the proportion is over 20 per cent and this is comfortably close to the share claimed by public school pupils in the entry to convincingly argue that more comprehensive school pupils should come to Oxford

How can that be done? Oxford itself can and will make further adjustments. In one way or another, the proportion securing places before A levels must in-crease. But, above all, what Oxford needs to see is many, many more good applicants coming from comprehensive schools. They will be welcome, and if they do not apply, not annoyance if they are not accepted.

This is why the new prejudice is so pernicious. There are, I fear, only too many administrators, heads and teachers who — openly and subtly — discourage candidates: "Oxford is not candidates: "Oxford is not for you." Sometimes their motives are dignified by principle, even if mistaken. Often, just below the surface is a complex of inverted snobbery: "I didn't get in, so why should you?'

This is where the prejudices now are, and these are the obstacles to further progress. Parents and pupils should know this, make up their own minds, and give the colleges a chance to show them just who their real enemies are.

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Henry Fairlie's column will return next week

#### The armageddon ready-to-wear collection

A lightweight reflective suit to protect against the worst effects of nuclear, chemical or biological warfare should soon be available by mail order. Kelco Enterprises, British firm specializing in survival and defence, is considering this as part of its new policy to cater for civilian as well as

be injured during armageddon a surgical survival kit is ready for running repairs until

For the most serious casualty, heavy gauge, opaque PVC body bags can be used to evacuate the patient to safety. In the event of death a clear plastic flap is zipped this reassuring catalogue were displayed in London yesterday.

rosy-fingered dawn has poked a chilblained finger out of the North Sea, a thin, spectacled,

angular man will start intoning Homer's Odyssey in Greek in the Quadrangle of Newcastle University, in an unmistakably Scottish accent, and with panache.

David West, Professor of Latin, for it will be he, is kicking off a complete reading of all 24 books by staff and students of the department of classics to raise money for charity. Accents will range from Geordie Why aye, through finest Sidney Allen Vox Grueca, to Best Old Aberdonian Shap Heather Mix Phansodic Shag Heather Mix. Rhapsodic dress, including rhabdos, the rhapsode's staff, will be worn. Scholarly debate still rages in the department about whether to end the reading at Book 23 line 296, where Aristarchus and Aristophanes claimed the

Aristophanes claimed the Odyssey ended, with Odysseus and Penelope in bed together. The rest is rubbish. The long day's reading should end at about 10.30 pm. The admirable West will be present all day. He says: "Why should a man be anywhere else than where they are reading the Odyssey?"

# Saucy!

Michael Harris, proprietor of the Bell at Aston Clinton, Bucking-hamshire, has abandoned his fight with Christopher Driver, editor of the Good Food Guide. In 1973 Harris, whose establishment tolled consistently in the Guide Northern epic through its first quarter century, was one of a brigade of top kitchen-keepers who declared in a letter to The Times that they were fed up with Driver's prevailing tone of acid disparagement and snide innuendo."
Thereafter Harris refused to send

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he has just become, Geor-ge Mikes, the Anglo-Hungais to launch a new career as

playwright. Theatre Clwyd in Mold asked for a play and, thanks in part to a Welsh Arts

details of prices or anything else to the Good Food Guide or any other guide published by the Consumers' Association.

It did him no good. His wine subsidiary, Gerard Harris, got a full clutch of accolades in the Which? Wine Guide. The Bell still featured in the Good Hotel Guide, and last year it was reinstated in the Good Food Guide, complete with an appropriately suide suggestion that the origin of some of the sauces could be explained only by a scrutiny of

the kitchen shelves. This year Harris has provided all the details requested by the Consumers' Association. What caustic sneers this surrender may engender only publication of Driver's book on March 19 will

No doubt it had to happen, but they might have got it right when it did. As a Mother's Day promotion, Harrods are putting on a tasting of Mumm champagne but announcing it, they spelt it

# Women first

Olga Franklin, journalistic trouper and Sovietologist, will be lecturing in Tunbridge Wells tonight on women in Fleet Street. Their history there is longer and more honourable than even our letters column correspondent. Jill Tweedie of The Guardian, might

contract and an advance payment.

Mikes therefore produced The Virgin and the Bull, which he

describes as "a sad comedy". It

concerns a humble Italian who

has the luck to buy a lost Caravaggio for £4, and finds it ruins his life. It will be staged in

Franklin says one could go back to Virginia Woolf on The Times Literary Supplement, and recall Rebecca West, Winifred Holtby, Storm Jameson and Stella Gibbons. Her own account, though, will begin with Eileen Ascroft launching in 1935 the first agony column in the Daily Mirror

A colourful episode will be her description of the first all-woman assignment, to the ruins of Berlin in 1946, when Fleet Street's women horrified the officers of the British Army, Franklin's task was to seek out Frau Goering and ask her: "Will Hermann hang?" Franklin says now: "The more this feminism thing has emerged,

good woman writer today is Caroline Moorehead of The

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# Title tattle

John Batchelor, whose Edwardian Novelists is published tomorrow, has a nice story about Joseph Courad. He hated paying income tax, and when an officiallooking envelops arrived, he left it unopened for several weeks assuming that it was just another demand. In fact it contained the effer of a knighthood, and eventually the Prime Minister, Ramsay MacDonald, had to send a personal messenger to find out what had happend to it

In the event it did not matter, because Conrad refused the knighthood anyway, regarding it as a plebeian kind of honour compared with the half dozen titles he had abandoned on leaving Poland.

# Classical mystery

Tomorrow it will be 300 years since the assassination of opera composer Alessandro Stra-della. Italian police have still not managed to bring charges. There is no doubt in anyone's mind that Stradella was stabbed to death in Genoa on February 25, 1882, but investigations have been confused by the large number of suspects raised by his amorous

The first theory, propounded by the French writer, Stendanl, among others, is that he was murdered by a Venetian notic-man with whose fiancee he had



There is no escape for the Labour Party, its lame claim that it was not infringing Walt Disney copyright because its summer road-show on the alternative economic strategy featured as Tory spokesman Scrooge McDuck, not Donald Duck, has predictably backfired. As my illustration shows, Scrooge McDuck is a well-established Disney copyright character too. There is no alternative. Labour's economic strategy programme must be scrapped.

eloped. An alternative version is that he was slain by the girl's brothers to expunge the shame he had brought on their family. A third account has it that the girl herself had her brothers kill him when she found him two-timing

The latest edition of Grove's Dictionary concludes that Stra-delia was knocked off by the

Genoese nobility after seducing one of their women. While the carabinieri scratched their heads for three centuries. no fewer than four composers have written four composers have written operas about their colleague's sad fate.

A "free radio" station in Paris has invented sex by wireless. It entertains listeners sounds of a couple supposedly making love on the studio floor, while a disc jockey supplies a running commentary.

#### Pass the word It is plainly too much to ask

people who are good with words to be capable of ordering their affairs properly as well. Jeremy Geelan, who edits Logophile, a quarterly devoted to words, has just realized that for the fortnight the Post Office has been returning the journal's mail to senders, marked "gone away". The Post Office was doing that for the perfectly good reason that Geelan had failed to renew forwarding arrangement. The result is that while he has collected from contributors some lovely lists of favourite words (e.g. pellucid, aquiline, lijy, silken, brandy, paragon, alembic, ocean, notary, perish — B. Levin), he has received. he has received no replies at all to a modest advertising campaign intended to attract subscribers

who would appreciate them. We wordy types must stick together, so let me tell you that Logophile's unchanged, but once more operational, address is 47-19, Caledonian Road, London NI

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# **PORTRAIT OF A PARTY MAN**

Rakowski, the Polish Deputy Premier, whose remarkable interview with Oriana Faliaci we published on Monday and Tuesday. On the one hand he is a member of a ruling party which is generally unpopular, which has no electoral legit-imacy and which, by last December, had become, as he himself frankly admits "bankrupt, intellectually and politi-cally". He has remained in his job to serve a military regime which has detained thousands of people, suspended trade union activity and other civil rights. And he speaks as a true Marxist when he utters the chilling remark that "in politics the individual does not count". Seen in this light his interview is little more than an attempt to win west-ern approval for military rule. l On the other hand, Mr Rakowski has been known for twenty-five years as a restless critic of the system in which he has made his career. He has been deeply disliked by orthodox members of the apparatus and widely respec-ted by readers and colleagues as editor of the weekly paper Polityka. Although he has survived through many changes, which means that he has made compromises, his credentials as a proponent of the need to liberalise the Communist system are good. He rose during the reformist period of 1956 and was then disappointed. He attached himself to Mr Gierek, who came to power in 1970 with reformism on his lips, and was again disappointed. He saw the formation of Solidarity as offering a new chance to introduce checks and balances into the system and build links between the

There are two ways of look- was made government nego- Solidarity but wrong to put so ing at Mr Mieczyslaw tiator with Solidarity he much of the blame on them, Rakowski, the Polish Deputy seized the opportunity and and wrong not to mention seemed initially to be negotiating in good faith, but then accused Solidarity of unrealis-tic demands. Yet another disappointment.

> Seen from this point of view Mr Rakowski is in the position of any politician in any system who finds himself in a party or government of which he is critical. How far does he go along with it in the hope of influencing it from within? At what point does compromise become a betrayal of principles? The answer is never easy but in eastern Europe there is a factor that is missing in the west. There is no other party to go to, and the rule of that one party is regarded by Moscow as a vital interest. Therefore, unless one believes that Soviet policy can be changed, outright opposition to the system is hopeless. It may often be morally right but defeat is inevitable.

Westerners with no experi-ence of such limitations should therefore hesitate before passing quick judge-ments. But this leaves two big questions unanswered. First, is Mr Rakowski telling the truth? Here again, a certain humility is required. We simply do not know. A very logical case can be made for the argument that the regime decided long before December to block Solidarity's demands in order to provoke the radicals and provide an excuse for military intervention. But the failure of the regime to come to terms with Solidarity can just as well be attributed to indecision and incompetence. Mr Rakowski is right that there were some

that the "general strike" called for December was to have been a very short warning strike. The rest must await more information.

The second question whether the sort of limited reforms envisaged by Mr. Rakowski are actually possible. Every time they have been tried in Eastern Europe, they have been defeated by the Party apparatus, or the Russians, or a combination of both. Mr Rakowski scoffs at freedom — freedom which does not put anything in hungry people's stomachs he says derisively. But it is the antique collectivist economics of the East which have made Poland an impoverished and starving debtor of the West and which leaves the Soviet Union dependent on American grain and Western technology.

The individual counts in economics all right; and politics without a belief in the essential worth of every human being, minorities of one as well as majorities of millions, is corrupting; inevi-tably it becomes about power rather than about responsibility, coercion rather than consent, numbers rather than people. Christianity gave that ideal to the world. Statecraft has had to wrestle, and always will, with the balance between liberty and order. The reconciliation is imperfect and so is the realization of the ideal, but freedom has been the pulse of every civilised achievement in the West. Mr Rakowski should ponder another question following the battery he has answered; what has its Marxist antithesis produced in the East?

#### IN SICKNESS AND IN WEALTH

hotheads in

year visit Britain from countries with which we have no reciprocal arrangement for free medical care. Some come on purpose to seek treatment for existing conditions. They are expected to seek it privately, they bring in sub-stantial foreign exchange earnings, and immigration officials have a duty to satisfy themselves that they can afford to pay. Others fall ill unexpectedly while they are here, and these have traditionally been treated free in hospital as NHS patients, even though they have paid the service through their of fears of inquisitions about taxes, as British residents do. their right to be here. This minor item of international largesse was characteristic of the spirit in which the service was founded. It was considered petty to harass visitors in a moment of misfortune, and the sums involved were small in relation to NHS spending as a whole. This ample attitude to entitlement may seem more questionable today, when we are more aware of the inevitable gap between supply and

party and the people. When he

for out of tax. Exactly what change of practice is proposed remains less than clear. This makes needs to be shown that the claim that this might change is worthwhile in terms occasionally reduce rather of cost, and that it has no than increase the risk of unacceptable side-effects. The offensive interrogation of old spirit of the NHS still has

demand in a free service paid

About six million people a enough credit in Britain for it remind hospitals to take to be said with certainty that greater care to see that among side-effects unacceptable to the public would be the spectacle of patients in acute need of treatment being refused it because of inability to pay, or subjected to delay while inquiries are made about status or funds. Our national circumstances may be reduced, but not to the point where we need require anybody to haggle from a stretcher at the hospital door. Equally, it is not acceptable that the process for assessing entitlement should make immigrant residents reluctant nothing towards the costs of to seek medical care because

their right to be here.

Mr Fowler's proposals take fuller account of these difficulties than the scheme outlined by a working party last year. Visitors would become exempt from charges after a residence of one year instead of three. People coming here to work, and some visiting dependents, would be exempt from the start. It is stressed that there would be no question of refusal of treatment to patients in acute need, nor systematic discrimination by colour. A simple prescribed set of questions would be put to every patient on admission, comment difficult, because it and there is some force in the

visitors do not receive free treatment when they have no ghost of a claim to it. But as an effective moneysaver, the plan does not look impressive. Without explain-ing how, Mr Fowler proposes

to save £6m a year when the

working party only predicted £5m from a much larger category. The thing is as vague as that. It is not clear what will happen if a patient blatantly lies about his status on admission. Either evasion will be temptingly easy, or else the threat of further inquiries will raise administrative costs and deter resident immigrants. The expense of reclaiming bad debts is a significant part of the costs of many foreign hospitals. Nor is there a clear medical borderline between emergencies where any humane surgeon would cut first and ask questions afterwards, and less urgent but still painful conditions carrying a risk of complications if not promptly treated. The change is likely in itself to create an atmosphere where the possibility of charging is more aggressively pursued, generating suspicion and ill-will. It is hard to look at the prediction of £6m without scepticism, but even if that saving were made in full it would be a trivial return for a petty act of inhospitality in a service whose budget is counted in thousands of millions.

# HORROR IN EAST TIMOR

When Inconesian invaded East Timor in December 1975 it was quite obvious that no one was going to stop them. Fretilin (the Revolutionary Front for the Independence of East Timor), hich at that moment was in de facto control of the country, was certainly not strong enough. Portugal, the colonial power which had not - and still has not — formally renounced sovereignty, no longer had any authority on the ground or any troops capable of taking action anywhere near.

The nearest neighbouring country, Australia, had pub-licly all but promised Indonesia a free hand. Wastern powers generally, in common with the members of the Association of South-East Asian states, were anxious to keep on good terms with Indonesia as a major oil-producer, a rapidly expanding market, and a regional power opposed to communism. Not much has been heard Not much has been heard ticularly damning for the about East Timor in this Indonesian authorities. One is country since then, but the

troops claim sovereignty on the Decem-grounds that the East obvious Timorese have not yet been able to exercise their right of self-determination, and the United Nations has consistently called for the withdrawal of Indonesian forces.

More important, it seems that all is far from well in East Timor itself. A pamphlet published yesterday by the Catholic Institute for International Relations states that Indonesian control is "still not unchallenged". It is "clear that resistance continues, and in 1981-1982 the Indonesian army was carrying out large-scale sweeps in the Lautem region, in the east of the territory". It is estimated, horrifyingly, that since the invasion more than 100,000 people have died, either directly as a result of military operations or from consequent famine and disease, out of a population of only about 670,000.

Two documents seem para report sent to President crime has continued to Suharto in June last year by trouble consciences both in the "Regional People's RepPortugal and in Australia. resentative Assembly" apPresident Suharto officially cointed by the Indonesians proclaimed the incorporation themselves. This report, while of East Timor into Indonesia expressing undying gratitude in 1976, and this was recog- for the incorporation of East nized by Australia in 1978, Timer into Indonesia, sugwell as by the ASEAN states. gasts that that objective is But Portugal continues to being jeopardized by the

behaviour of Indonesian troops and officials which "can only be described as being the behaviour of conquerors towards a conquered people". It cites instances of murder, torture, and other forms of violence and abuse. The other document is a letter from the leader of the Roman Catholic Church in East Timor to the Chairman of Australian Catholic Relief. sent last November, which refers to expected famine and to the killing of many Timorese people, including chil-

tenable to argue that the Indonesian fait accompli has to be accepted in the interests of peace and stability. Indonesia has obviously not won over the hearts and minds of the East Timorese, and her very unwillingness to allow independent observers access to the territory corroborates that. A solution based on negotiations and the free choice of the inhabitants is Yours faithfully, ... urgently needed and the international community particularly those countries which have close economic and military ties with Indoneshould make a much more

dren and pregnant women, by Indonesian forces in the military operation of July, August and September 1981. If this was the situation after six years it is no longer

including Britain —

TV channels by

satellite Frem Lord Aglestone

Sir. It took over 20 years of debate before Parliament decided to authorize a fourth television chancel in this country. Recent reports in your columns and elsewhere indicate that decisions eisewhere mancare man decisions are about to be taken which would, without any public debate, give the use of two new national television channels on a British direct broadcasting satellite to the BBC.

The potential importance to British industry of an early involvement in this new area of space technology is rocognized as-immense. The question of how the broadcast channels on such a satellite should be allocated is, however, one which, I suggest, requires further public debate, together with the question of the most appropriate system of public control of programme

tandards.
The BBC is on record as saying that it would like to operate two satellite channels: one for a service of repeats and the other for a subscription service. The latter is a form of financing for broadcasting so far untried in this country. It would involve a degree of risk which the BBC, in the service of t its present circumstances and given its overriding responsibility to the licence-payer, would not seem best placed to meet.

seem hest placed to meet.

Moreover, even the corporation's best friends sometimes believe that the organization is quite large enough for its own good and for the interests of the public. The potential role of independent television companies with their immense experience of self-financing public-service broadcasting ought certainly to self-financing public-service broadcasting ought certainly to be explored and debated.

be explored and debated.

Decisions taken now will affect the shape of broadcasting well into the nineties, when viewers will have considerably wider choice not only of broadcast services but also cable services and video cassettes and discs. These decisions ought not to be taken lightly or without a great deal of discussion. Yours faithfully, AYLESTONE, House of Lords, February 22.

#### Voting intentions.

From Dr D. J. C. Laming

Sir, It is a matter of surprise that so experienced an observer as Geoffrey Smith, in an otherwise perceptive article on coalition (February 20), can misjudge the nature of the electorate's wishes. When he says "the electorate has favoured single-party administrations with secure parliamentary majorities" he treats us, the poor. British voters, as some sort of Sir, It is a matter of surprise that majorities" he treats us, the poor British voters, as some sort of collective intelligence that decides to elect a specific type of administration. Does he not realize that we do not go into a huddle before polling day, but that the outcome of a general election is the result of our individual choices them. individual .. choices, taken in

Most electors, when they vote, and a government; and it is the balance of the millions of such choices that goes towards deciding what our government shall be. Ten million wote one way, nine million another, five million a third — where in all that is the electorate's choice of a single strong government? Interpreted literally, such a vote means coalition, nothing more nor less; though no voter has voted for it, or indeed is able to. It is the electoral system that hitherto distorted the voters' choices into "strong" single-party governing what our government shall "strong" single-party govern-

Those of us who support proportional representation in one form or another do so not just to gain parity of seats to votes, but to put political power back into Parliament, where it belongs, instead of in the press-ure groups. The electoral roulette game has served us ill for the past three decades and we want an end to it. an end to it.

D. J. C. LAMING, Treehayes, Crabb Lane, Alphington, Exeter. February 20.

#### The captains' table From Mr T. C. F. Printie

Sir, I learn from your columns today (February 17) that Norman Featherstone (Zimbabwe/Rhodesia) will not be captaining the Glamorgan cricket team this season and his place may be taken by Javed Miandad (Pakistan)

taken by Javed Miandad (Pakistan).

Worcestershare are being captained by Turner (New Zealand), Nottinghamshire by Rice (South Africa), Gloucestershire (up to last season) by Procter (Zimbabwe/Rhodesia), Kent by Asif (Pakistan). Leicestershire by Davison (Zimbabwe/Rhodesia), Lancashire by Lloyd (West Indies). I suggest that this is a ludictons situation, with nearly half the English first-class counties captained by men who are half the English first-class counties captained by men who are not qualified to play for England.

Cricketers from overseas add lustre to the first-class cricket field in this country, but it should be axiomatic that only cricketers qualified to play for England should captain county sides and be given the experience needed to make them candidates to captain England. This is neither racism nor chauvinism, but strict common sense. but strict common sense. . TERENCE PRITTIE 9 Blithfield Street, W8. February 17

Mrs Shirley Williams 15 the SDP MP for Crosby, not Warrington, as stated serious effort to achieve one. | yeserday

Preserving single Community market

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Mr Richard Cottrell, MEP for Bristol (Conservative)

Sir, The European Community is alarmed at every level at the threat to its survival posed by the retreat into mationalism and protectionism among the member states. The proposed walling off of the French internal market is notable in this respect.

We are now going to attack the French Government over the measures they propose to "reconquer the French market." Naturally, I approve Equally, I want to see really effective action at last against distortive national aids for which the French are also notable. But I am convinced that the thrust of the attack will be weakened by the steps we Sir, The European Community is alarmed at every level at the threat to its survival posed by the retreat into nationalism and retreat into nationalism and protectionism among the member states. The proposed walling off of the French internal market is notable in this respect. So is the last-ditch battle being fought by car manufacturers throughout the Community to present the accordance of the community to present the accordance of the community to present the accordance of the community to present the community to th prevent the principles of free trade enshrined in the Treaty of Rome operating effectively, to the detriment of the British

But, as a nation, we are hardly free of guilt in this increasingly serious situation. We are also serious situation. We are also victims of our own brand of double think. Not so very long ago we had a glorious fight to sell British. Iamb to the French housewife. It was a campaign that. I and my colleagues in the European Parliament supported wholeheartedly. Yet if we equally defend — and some of us do—the right of the French to sell their apples, turkeys, eggs, poultry and milk in the United Kingdom on the same principles of free trade, then we are liable to be accused of deserting the national interest.

whose national interest? The future of the United Kingdom cannot depend upon sheltering behind tariff or import barriers of any kind. One barrier invites another. That is why the Labour Party are so disastronisly wrong in their own attitudes to the Community. Yet I become increasingly alarmed at the vigour with which import barriers of one kind or another are either erected or maintained in order to defend a vested interest within the United Kingdom.

Continental milk and supplies of poultry and eggs from most

of poultry and eggs from most EEC countries (together with the USA) are currently excluded from Britain with the aid of health controls which are at best specious. There are few obituaries to confirm that French people die from drinking their own milk: but these comrols do protect, on the one hand, a dairy industry which is dangerously monopol-istic, and, on the other, a poultry, industry which already enjoyed virtual dominance of its own domestic market but became petrified at the prospect of

be weakened by the steps we ourselves have taken along the path of protectionism.

These issues lead across to the These issues lead across to the much wider problem of restrictions on trade between the European Community as a whole and the United States. A trade war looms. The import restrictions which we have created with regard to American poultry are clearly not the substance of the dispute but, given the traditional power of the farming looby in Washington, it would be foolish to deny that they have played a part in souring the amosphere part in souring the atmosphere between the Community and the United States.

My plea is for the restitution of the piece is for the restitution of the range before it is too late. We are much more likely to deny the French mortar for their own tariff walls if we set about dismansling some of our own I will not deny that this will create some uncomfortably free trade in the market place, but there is no endedness whatspeers to suggest evidence whatsoever to suggest that protected or insulated indus-

tries thrive and flourish. Britain's role at this time could be crucial. We have it in us to be the best Europeans of them all. I do not suggest for a moment that we tread especially lightly in such important areas as budget and farm policy reform, but our attitudes do need to be consist-

A determination to protect what the President of the Commission, Mr Thora, described in Strasbourg last week as the Community's most price-less asset — the single market would be a mark of our firm intention to see this Community survive and prosper in a world which increasingly allows of little comfort alsowhere.

RICHARD COTTRELL, Bristol Conservative Association, 5 Westfield Park, Redland, Bristol February 19.

Sir, Forgive my cyalcism, but as a postwar recruit to the Treasury's O and M Division I recall two best sellers from the late two best sellers from the late-forties, the Design of Forms and the Control of Forms, which contained all the wisdom now rehashed in Lady Young's White Paper (report, February 18). We must look deeper therefore to discover why the bureaucratic jungle is denser now than when "scientific management" was first applied. I offer two sugges-

tions.

1. Don't expect more management from top civil servants; your predecessors and many your predecessors and many others have tried in vain. As you say, they are preoccupied with "policy"; but in addition they are trained from birth to protect the status quo. As a lifelong coolie, albeit a senior one in the end, my most cherished memory is of an annual many which coulemned. annual report which condemned my "too rivid imagination". Lady Young might consider the Canadian system, where "deputy" departmental ministers have a special management responsibility, . . ...

2. As Asief have demonstrated, productivity demands cooperation from the workforce. Junior civil servants are now strongly unionised, they are no longer brought up to serve in a vocational sense and management must negotiate a deal with them. You cannot introduce new tachnology effectively, whether it be a streamlined form or an integrated micro-computer system, without staff participation

# Fuel subsidies

From Mr Andrew Warren

Sir, Responding to understand-able concern about the proposed further substantial increases in further substantial increases in domestic gas and electricity prices, you report the Prime Minister today (February 19) as stating that her Government "is providing a larger amount of fuel subsidy than any previous Government". In toto, according to a written answer given earlier in the week, £250m per annum is spent to assist the lower paid with their heating bills.

The money, substantial in anyone's terms, is paid to subsidize energy consumption. Incontrast the Government have allocated just £30m this year — a drop in pound-note terms from

drop in pound-note terms from two year ago, never mind inflation — towards their home insulation scheme; the only fiscal incentive to save energy offered domestic users.

Lead in petrol

From the Co-ordinator of the From the Co-ordinator of the Maternity Alliance
Sir, We welcome the publication (report, February 8) of Sir Henry Yellowlees's letter on the risk to children from lead and the comment of the chairman of the campaign for lead-free air.
However, we believe that both letters, while rightly exposing the dangers to children, fail to place the emphasis on that part of the human life cycle where lead does most damage. It would be

most damage. It would be expected that lead might do its greatest damage to the embryo and focus, and in a series of American research papers it has been reported that this is so in ther mammals. Indeed, if animals are exposed

to lead before mating and through pregnancy their off-spring are damaged by blood lead

and support. There are more ways to sabotage a system than blowing it up!

What s pity the Government squandered millions on Pay Research Unit-backed pay settle-ments before it saw the light. It's a bit late now, but the only long-term answer is a bone-fide. productivity deal signed and sealed in such a way that even McCarthy could not undermine

it. Yours faithfully, C. J. HANCOCK, 41 Rusper Road, Hield, Sussex Pebruary 18.

From Mr Andrew Drusdale Sir, We are obliged to Sir Derek Rayner for his attempt to cut the paper chain of the Civil Service command (report. February 18). We congratulate Lady Young on her efforts to simplify forms.

I would like to suggest to Lady Young that she invite Sir Keith Loseph to encourage schools to

Joseph to encourage schools to study Civil Service forms in their English Language courses: A question could be included in A and O level examination papers on how to improve and simplify

forms.

Would Shr Keith Joseph offer a prize to the school that produced the most improved form? Would the CBI sponsor the prize? We will all gain from being rid of the burden of completing forms which are often unnecessary and usually unimelligible, but the CBI more than anybody.

Yours faithfully, ANDREW DRYSDALE, Ferriers Grange, Hookwood, near Horley, Surrey.

Nobody demes the necessity when fuel prices are so high to provide a cushion for those upon whom these costs bear dispropor-tionately. But the allocation of tionately. But the allocation of only around one tenth of this money to assist in reducing initial demand must be wrong. Here is surely a prima facie case for funding capital investment (in the form of conservation measures) in order to reduce current expenditure (in the form of fuel supplements).

expenditure (in the form of fuel supplements).
Subsidizing conservation leads to lasting benefits via more efficient equipment and consumption patterns and lowers long-term energy demands. Subsidizing consumption, on the other hand, however socially desirable, in the long run just raises the demand for energy. Yours faithfully, ANDREW WARREN, Director,

Association for the Conservation of Energy.
39a Gloucester Place, Wi.

levels about five times lower than are necessary to produce measurable effects in young or adult animals. The damage reported includes reduced rates of brain

growth and development im-gained learning and visual dis-crimination, delayed onset of puberty and reproductive func-tion, impaired kidney function and impaired resistance to dis-

Research under the European Community Environmental Research Programme has reported on the biochemical and other changes found in the lead intoxicated embryo. There is growing evidence that many other chemicals are more dangerous to gamete, embryo and foetus than to adults or even children 🧢

Yours faithfully. RUIH EVANS, Coordinator, The Maternity Alliance, 309 Kentish Town Road, NWS.

# Open units for girl offenders

From Mrs Anne Weiczman and others

Sir, We were interested to read in The Times (report, February 19) that "Keep Out" has chosen Bullwood Hall, the closed borstal for girls, as the first target in its campaign. Having in our capacity as magistrates, visited this penal establishment twice in the last three years, we are aware of the disadvantages of locking up difficult and disturbed young women in a depressing environ-ment with limited staff and

treatment resources. Talking with some of the girls, we were sad but not surprised to hear: that several, particularly those from the North and the Midlands, had not had a visit miniands, and not had a visit throughout their sentence. As it is probably unrealistic to envisage the total closure of Bullwood in the near future, we put forward some short-term proposals for reducing the number of sirle held there

posals for reducing the number of girls held there.

We 'fully' support the "Keep Out" campaign in their demand for more facilities to treat psychiatric cases outside penal establishments. Except in the case of murder, we should like to see the end of custodial sentences for 15-year-old girls — whether the current sentence of borstal training, or the youth custody order proposed in the Criminal Justice Bill.

Justice Bill.

At present, all 15-year-olds have to be sent to Bullwood rather than to one of the open borstals for girls, at Moor Park in Staffordshire or at East Sutton Park in Keut, because only at Bullwood can they receive fulltime aducation. The very few girls in this age group who need to be locked up could be contained in local authority secure units; this would have the added advantage of placing them near their homes, to enable them

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mear their homes, to enable them
to keep in touch with their
families and local community.
We suggest that more girls
than at present could safely be
held in open units. We have
visited the open borstal at East
Sutton Park and understand that
young women with violence on young women with violence on their record react no differently to the regime than others. The cheerful atmosphere in this smaller establishment suggest that more young women could safely serve their sentences under open conditions.

A reduction in the number of

girls and young women sent to Bullwood Hall should make it possible to improve conditions there, specifically by reducing the numbers in the prison wings. On every visit, the staff told us how much more satisfactory it was to work with 20 girls on the two small wings than with 35, which is the norm, the street which is the norm: the atmos-phere on the small wings is much celmer, and hence more thera-

petitic.
We hope that the greater flexibility of the youth custody order will enable these and other changes to be introduced. Yours faithfully,

ANNE WEITZMAN. SARAH CURTIS, 21 St James's Gardens, W11.

Serious censorship From Mr Michael Winner:

From Mr Michael Winner
Sir, I agree with Mr Kitching
(February 22) that a great many
people would join him in encouraging film cencorship at its
present ferocious level. But then
many people encouraged the
over-painting of oil paintings
with fig leaves and the covering
of table legs in Victorian times.
I nevertheless maintain my
belief that the majority of adults I nevertheless maintain my belief that the majority of adults in this country would wish to be able to see films without the severe cutting by one dictatorial man working without an appeal board above him, it has not done our contemporaries on the Continent any harm to see films that we are unable to.

To believe that if you cut dramatic reconstructions of ma-

dramatic reconstructions of tra-pleasant aspects of life from movies life will itself become sweeter and less violent is sweeter and less violent is optimistic in the extreme.

Mr Kitching seems to be saying that because he can quote three critical words from reviews of my film, Death Wish II, that makes it all the more worthwhile that it was censored I could match him, quote for quote, in words of praise; but that has no bearing on the matter either.

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL WINNER, Scimitar Films Limited, 6-8 Sackville Street, W.1. 

# Subject for satire?

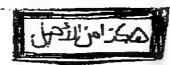
From Mr Richard Barlow Sir, Neither a Christian nor a Hindu myself, I feel entitled to ask why the arrival of Swami Muktananda in Bombay in a Lincoln Continental should be treated, in your report on February 18, as a matter for derision while the arrival of the Pope in Libreville in an open car of unspecified make on the same day was not.

of unspecified make on the same day was not.

The fact that a special bungalow, albeit of "elegant but simple" design, had been built for the Pope's use on his brief visit was arguably as much an object for satire as the Swami's pink robe, just as the "objective listener" who found the Swami's message banal and trite, would surely have had something to say about the Pope's strictures against artificial contraception in overpopulated Africa.

overpopulated Africa. To avoid any possibility of being guilty of cultural bias, might I suggest that before the Pope's next visit you arrange for an exchange hermony. an exchange between your two Yours faithfully,

RICHARD BARLOW. Duke's Court, Kent Gardens, W13.



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# **COURT** AND SOCIAL

#### COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE February 23: The Queen held an Investiture at Buckingham Pal-

ace this morning.

The Right Hon Margaret
Thatcher, MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury) had an audience of Her Majesty

The Hon Mary Morrison has succeeded Mrs John Dugdale as Ledy in Waiting to The Queen.

CLARENCE HOUSE
February 23: Mrs E. W. Collings
had the honour of being received
by Queen Elizabeth The Queen
Mother when Her Majesty, on
behalf of The Queen, decorated
her with the Royal Victorian
Medal (Silver). Medal (Silver).

Queen Elizabeth The Queen

Mother was present this evening at a Service of Thanksgiving at St. Peter's Church, Walworth. Lady Elizabeth Basset and Sir Martin Gilliat were in attendance. Lady Elizabeth Basset has succeeded Lady Angela Oswald as Lady-in-Waiting to Her Majesty. KENSINGTON PALACE

Bland was in attendance. YORK BUUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE February 23: The Duke of Keut, Vice-Chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, this afternoon opened a seminar on

Driver of the Year" Competition at BP House, Victoria, London. Later His Royal Highness was installed as Patron of The Worshipful Company of Patten-makers and attended their Court

Luncheon at Tallow Chandlers'

Lieutenant-Colonel

Francophone West Africa at Church House, Great Smith Lieutenant-Commander Richard Buckley, RN, was in attendance.

The Hon Neville and Mrs Berry very much regret that they were unable to attend the memorial service for Lady Hartwell owing to absence abroad.

Mr and the Hon Mrs William Macauley regret they were unable to attend the memorial service for Lady Hartwell yesterday owing to absence abroad. February 25: The Duke of A memorial service for Sir lan Gloucester this morning laun-Bolton will be held in Glasgow ched BP Oil Company "Young Cathedral today at 2.

#### **Forthcoming** marriages

The engagement is announced between Peter William, second son of Mr and Mrs Adam Bergius, Glencreggan, Glenbarr, Argyll, and Clodagh Ione Barbara, cider daughter of Mr and Mrs Nigel Hudson, of Rangoon, Burma.

# Mr A. C. Campbell and Miss A. C. Bergius

The engagement is announced between Alistair Carnegie, son of Dr and Mrs Ian D. Campbell, 5 Succoth Park, Edinburgh, and Agnes Cara, daughter of Mr and Mrs Adam Bergius, Glencreggan, Glenbarr, Argyll.

#### and Miss A. B. Brentnall

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The engagement is announced between Peter Ronald, elder son of Mr and Mrs R. E. Birkett, of Macclesfield, and Andrea, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip Brentnell, of Gerrards Cross.

# and Miss A. J. Hickling

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, elder son of Mr and Mrs Arthur Blackwood, of Charlton, Sussex, and Angela, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Ronald Hickling, of Oxted,

# Mr R. G. P. Ellis and Miss S. J. V. Archer

The engagement is announced between Richard, only son of Mr and Mrs P. M. Ellis, of Haileybury College, Hertfordshire, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J. D. Archer, of Guildford, Surrey, and Singapore.

# Mr J. Foster and Miss S. Herbert

The engagement is announced between James, younger son of Mr Grotum Foster, FRCOG, and Mrs Poster, of Kalithea, Cecil Road, Weston-Super-Mare, and Susan, only daughter of Mr and Mrs T. F. Herbert, of Mussel End

# Major J. P. Hargreaves and Miss P. A. Tingey

The engagement is announced The engagement is announced between Patrick Hargreaves, Grenadier Guards, elder son of Colonel and Mrs D. J. Hargreaves, of Wellisford Manor, Wellington, Somerset, and Philippa, elder daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs M. J. W. Tingey, of Greinton House, Greinton, Somerset.

# Nir G. A. Madgwick and Miss P. J. Moss

The engagement is announced between Graham, eldest son of Mr and Mrs John Madgwick, of Bryants Bottom, Great Missen-den, and Philippa, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Moss, of The Bury Farm, Chesham.

# Mr S. Mitchell and Miss J. G. Potterton

The engagement is announced between Stephen, younger son of Mr and Mrs Ralph Mitchell, of Liversedge, West Yorkshire, and Julia, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Hugh Potterton, of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.

# Mr P. D. T. Powell and Miss N. J. Bruxser-Randali

The engagement is ennounced between Peter David Turner, only son of Mr and Mrs Philip Powell, of Toothill Farm, Rom-sey, Hampshire, and Nichola Joy, youngest daughter of Major and Mrs Peter Bruxner-Randall of King's Garn, Lyndburst, Hamp-

# Mr C. N. H. Saell and Miss S. J. Johnson

The engagement is announced between Christopher, younger son of Mr and Mrs C. L. Snell, of The Elms, Bromesberrow, ar Ane Eims, bromesperrow, ar Ledbury, Herefordshire, and Susan only daughter of Mr and Mrs N. Johnson, of Much Birch, Hereford.

#### Luncheons Pilerines.

The Pilgrims gave a luncheon yesterday at the Savoy Hotel in honour of Senator John Tower, Chairman of the United States Senate Armed Services Committee. Lord Astor of Hever was in the chair and Viscount Trenchard, Minister of State for Defence Procurement, also spoke. Among others present

spoke. Among others present were:
The Earl of Avon, Sir Frederic Bennett, MP. Mr P J Butler, Lord Caccias MP. Mr P J Butler, Lord Caccias Marshal of the RAF Sir Neit Cameron, Mr We Channing, LieutensniCoionel S W Chani-Sempill, Mr Mr He Hon Ain Clark, MP. Sir Frank Cooper, Mr Hugh Cubilt, Sir Patrick Dean, Lord George Brown, Dr John Gilbert, MP, Mr Mondol K Grierson, Mr Edon Griffiths, MP, Mr Michael Grytla, MP, Wice-Admiral Konald J Hays Mr Simon Kimmins, Vice-Admiral Sir Louis Le Bisliy, the Bishop of Rochester, Mr Nicholes Scott, MP, Lord Sperfield, Mr Robert I. Sigmon, Mr Edward Sir Louis Le Silly, the Bishop of Rochester, Mr Nicholes Scott, MP, Lord Sperfield, Mr Robert I. Sigmon, Mr Edward J Sirvator and General Bir Harry Tuso.

Institute of Taxation
Mr. John F. Avery Jones,
president of the Institute of

presided of the Institute of Taxation, was host at a luncheon held at Barber-Surgeons' Hall yesterday. The principal guest was Mr Leon Brittan, QC, Chief Secretary to the Treasury. Other guests included:
Lord Croham. Mr Joel Barnett, MP, Mr Terence Higgina. MP. He Hon Nirholas Ridley. MP, the Hon Peter Brooke, MP. Sir Jen Pergual, QC. MP. Mr R Walnwright, MP. Sir Lawrenge, Airoy, Sig Douglas MP. Sir Lawrence Aircy, Sir Douglas Lovelock, Mr H H Monree, QC, and Mr Dick Taverne, OC.

#### Reception

Mayoress of Westminster The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Westminster were Mayoress of Westminster were hosts at a civic reception held yesterday evening at City Hall. The guests included the Chairman of the Greater London Council, the Bishop of London, the High Sheriff of Greater London, Members of the Diplomatic Corps, Members of Parliament for Westminster, mayors of London boroughs, representatives of the Sarvices, the Church Mestel and Steam lead with one and a haif points out of two, but they will probably be joined in that position by Van der Wiel, the Dutch master, who has an adjourned game against Rivas that he should win easily.

John Nunn seems to bave recovered from his loss in the first round and he took expert advantage of Short's vaccine. Short was a loss in the first round and he took expert advantage of Short's vaccine. tives of the Services, the church, education, the law, medicine, the public services, street associations and trade unions and members and chief officers of the city council.

# Dinners

Federation
The Prime Minister was the principal guest at the biennial dinner of the Engineering Employers' Federation which was held last night at the Dorchester hotel. Mr Anthony Hampton, president, was in the the guests to which the Prime Minister replied.

Lord Mowbray and Stourton Lord Mowbray and Stourton Chancellor, entertained members of the Primrose League at dinner in the House of Lords yesterday. The guest of honour and speaker was Lord Boardman and among

Was Lord moarwheat and anions other guests were:
lady mowbray and Stourton, Lady Boardban, Sr. Grahara and Lady Rowlandson, Mr and Mrs Evelyn King, Mr Peter Lane and Mr W L Grant.

Mount St Mary's College
The annual dinser of the London
Old Mountaineers was beld at the
Law Society's Hall last night. The guest of honour was Baroness
Phillips and other guests
included the Rector of Mount St
Mary's College (Pather Peter
Harrison, SJ) and the headmaster
(Father John Grumitt, SJ). Oxford University Archaeolog-ical Society

The fifteenth triennial dinner of the Oxford University Archaeo-logical Society was held in the Hall of Worcester College last Friday evening. Professor Sheppard S. Frere was guest

# Glaziers' Company

The Master of the Glaziers' Company, Mr Michael E. Snow, the Wardens, Mr J. J. L. Corkill and Mr P. S. London, and members of the livery, accompanied by their ladies, attended divine service yesterday evening in Southwark Cathedral. The Dean of St Albans, honorary chaplain, officiated. chaplain, officiated.

the biggest rebellion by British troops in the twentieth century.

Forty Minutes series, says were disarmed arrested and the reasons for the revolt by put in a cage next to German the reasons for the revolt by put in a cage next to German 192 soldiers, three of whom PoWs." were sentenced to be shot, been very largely

**ENGLAND** 

**PLAYERS** 

FIGHT BACK

English players made a much better showing in round two of the Western European zonal tournament at Marbella, Spairt, than they had done in their than they had done in their

disastrous first round. Michea

disastrous first round. Micheal Stean won well against the Dutch master, Ligterink, and Mestel, with black against Hebden, won a long end game in grandmaster

style.
Mestel and Stean lead with one

advantage of Short's passive bandling of a Ruy Lopez to win s

good game and thus come up to a 50-per cent score. In the third round Nunn is due to play Van der Wiel and Stean meeu Mestel.

Birthdays today

By Harry Golombek .

sick and wounded, were told line jobs and it was only a protect the men and their

ice clinging to their names even though they had served Sicily.
"Some 1,500 men were detailed", Mr Patient said,

Courts-martial found them guilty and the private soldiers

# Bringing the Salerno mutiny into focus

and drove him with a number of other wounded men to

Princess Jose Aly Khar, the Hon Ales Hare (chairman, Fhancial Times) and Mrs. Hare, the Hon Mrs. Adrian Lyttelton, the Hon Mrs. Mc Watson, the Hon Hugh Lawson, the Hon Christopher Leanand.

A BBC television document they were to be returned to question of time before they families; but in the case I tary to be shown tomorrow their units in southern Italy. were killed", Mr Patient said, think it has protected the will claim that a whole series But on the way there they "They deserted in droves." blunders more than anything of blunders was committed were given new information. Mr Patient says the men else. of blunders was committed were given new information before what became known that they were going as as the "Salerno mutiny" — reinforcements to Salerno, in still feel the taint of coward-

with distinction in North twentieth century.

It happened nearly 40 years ago, in 1943; but the men Allies were driving the Gerwho were involved are still trying to clear their names and to have restored to them campaign and bravery medals they regard as rightfully theirs.

Make Phase were detailed", Mr Patient said, "but when they got there the Allies were driving the Germans back and they were doing nothing. They were ordered to join one of the British divisions and they refused. The Riot Act was read and the 1500 were He took three of the men involved back to Salerno after the incident. Mr Alan Patient, producer read and the 1.500 were of the programme, one of the whittled down to 192. They ·Private McFarlane was responsible for a conspicuous act of gallantry at Mersa Matru, having found a badly wounded colleague trapped

hushed up.

And there is little chance years' penal servinde, the of the full story being told because of the 75-year embargo on official documents.

The mutiny happened when men who had served in North Africa, many of them "They were given fronts in sick and wounded, were told in sold the private soldiers and drove him with a number of other wounded men to Alexandria.

"All of these men who still survive admit disobeying the order of a superior officer and they expected to be charged with that, not with mutiny. I can appreciate that the 75-year rule was made to protect the men and their obes and it was only a protect the men and their

A delegation from the theatre arriving at Downing Street yesterday with a letter to the Prime Minister expressing sadness at the closure of the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company, which is to give its last performance on Saturday. (From left); Mr Richard Todd, Sir Geraint Evans, Miss Joanna Lumley, Mr Derren Nesbitt and Mr Gordon Jackson.

The Prime Minister was represented by Mr Paul Chamon, MP, at a memorial service for Lady Hartwell held yesterday at St Margaret's Westminster. The Rev Gerard Lrvine officiated. Dr David Wilson, Director of the British Museum, and Lord Hartwell, husband, rend the lessons. Lord and Lady Home of the Hirsel were present. Others present included:

The Hom Adrian and Mrs Berry and

The Hon Agrius and Mrs Berry and the Hon Micholas and Mrs Berry (sons) and describers-in-law!. Mr and the Hon Mrs Martin Cullen (son-la-law) Hon Mrs Martin Cullen (son-la-law) and describer, the Hon Elector Berry and describer.

Williams, the host Ausisir and Stra Hope? Miles, Mrs I Pakenham, Mr Mark Macauley, Mrs Jerseny Wagg.

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Hebrico Bridge, discuss of Wakerleid,
to be also Ruval Dean of Calder Valley,
same discuss
The Rev M J Fairey, Rector of St
Peter, London docks, with St John,
Wapping, discress of London, to be

Church news

| Memorial service

Lady Hartwell

These men won their medals and they are entitled to them", Mr Patient said. The case was first raised in the Commons in 1945 when Archie Newmarch — he now

while the programme was lives in Hull — had his letter being made, including Mr John McFarlane, holder of the Military Medal, which taking this case up", he was taken away from him wrote. "All these men were sickness." recovering from sickness, some not fully recovered...they were told they were join their units and on by one arm, he amputated it unit altogether."

At the time and transport of other wounded

"a complete black-out" regarding the men and what

had happened to them.

The Ministry of Defence said last night that they had cooperated in the making of Thursday's programme. But they would not comment further until after it is

# Regiment buys

The 9th/12th Royal Lancers yesterday paid £14,000 (estimate £10,000-£12,000) at Christie's for a group of ix medials, including a Victorian Cross awarded to Troop Sergeant-Major David Spence, of the 9th Lancers during the Indian Mutiny. The group was last sold at aution in 1955, when it realized £500.

The medels, will tade their The medels, will tade their place in the regimental museum, at Derby, said Major-General J. M. Brockbank, Colonel of the

In a sale which totalled £95,514.

In a sale of antique jewelry at

for Children.

before tax paid: Bethell, Veronica Lady, of Hook, Hampshire 56,908.

Parry, Mr James Oswald, of Worthenbury, Clwyd. 2284,290

# Indian VC

M. Brockbank, Colonel of the Regiment, who attended the sale to bid for the piece of regimental history. The Lancers won several VCs during the Indian Mutiny. Sergeant-Major Spence's was for "conspicuous gallantry on January 17 1858, at Shunnshabad wounded and his noise disabled, and bringing him out from a large quantity of rebels." On returnment from the army, Spence became a member of the Yeoman of the Guard. He died in

with 19 per cent bought in, good quality indian campaign nedals sold well, as did early-ninteenth century foreign orders. Among foreign silver coins, United States dollars were in demand, with the assembles from 1706. States dollars were in demand, with two examples from 1795 selling for £1,100 and £1,000 (estimate £800-1,000) both to Werner, the US dealer.

One of the rarest types of British coins ever sold at Christie's an Eastern District, Norfolk wolf-type, stater dating from 65-45 BC, provided an unexpected winfall for a resident of Suffolk. It realized £780 to Spink and Son (estimate: £1,000-£1,100).

In a sale of antique jewelry at

In a sale of antique jewelry at Phillips yesterday there were strong prices for Victorian, Georgian and seventeenth-century pieces. A Victorian gold, heart-shaped locket made £2,000 and a fine sixteenth-century cameo sold for £1,700.

In a collection of memorial jewelry dating from the Stuart period an oval slide containing plaited hair sold for £210 (estimate £80-£100). The sale totalled £116,226, with three lots unsold.

# Latest wills

Mrs Lily Alexandra Hemmings, of Radfield, Bristol, left estate valued at £150,405 net. She left £13,400 to personal legatees, £10,000 and a seventh of the residue to Southmead Hospital-District, Bristol, for the purchase of the personal legates. of haemodialysis machines; £10,000 to the RNLi, as to half to £10,000 to the RNLI, as to half to be shared equally between members of the crew of the Lizard lifeboat at her death, and half for general funds, and a seventh of the residue to the RNLI for general funds; £5,000 and a seventh of the residue each to Bristol Home for Lost and Starving Dogs and Cats, the Friends of Bristol Horses Society, and the Guide Dogs for the Friends of Bristol Horses So-ciety, and the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association, and a seventh of the residue each to Dr Barnardo's and the Muller Home estates include (net,

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Royal College

# of Organists

Dr Peter Williams, reader in music at Edinburgh, University, has been elected an honorary fellow of the Royal College of Organists.

# Moreover . . . Miles Kington

In an effort to promote the wonderful world of British fiction (or, in publishing phraseology, to flog as many books as possible) Moreover Enterprises have got 14 top British authors together to

fictioneers is:

Kevia Amis, Martin Amis's

seven-year-old son, whose Phil and Margaret Drabble, blistering Disposable Tishoos co-authors of such grim bestis not only and interesting

Burgess and Maclean, thriller writers. When Anthony and Alastair frist defected to the Mediterranean there was some grumbling among those

Piers Paul Theroux, author of the grim best-seller Trapped, about the trainload of passengers which crashes in the snowy Andes and is forced to stay there for three weeks with nothing to read but Neville Shute paperbacks. Beryl Brandreth, authoress

co-authors of such grim bestlong-playing version of E. P. Thompson, complete with figures, statistics, lyrics, words, song-sheet and melody line for guitar or synthesiser. Factory

Broadcaster Laureate and author of a brand-new book about James Joyce entitled Did You Know that when Bloom set off on his Walk Across Dublin, His Route Formed the Shape of a Question Mark? Well, It Did. All these writers are available at, a moment's notice to appear on your chat show, attend your bookshop, open your fete, collect your che-

que, Charge your expenses and drink your booze. Back British Books - Hire

# **OBITUARY**

# PROFESSOR ALEC RGDGER Influential British psychologist

November 22, 1907. He was the eldest of four brothers, the others became a solicitor, a director of education and a physician. Alec, who was educated at Scarborough College and Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, where he was Yatman exhi-bitioner, thought first of medicine, then of theology and of missionary work abroad. In the event he changed course applying his missionary zeal to paychology.

Occupational psychology and psychology at Birkbeck College, London owe large debts to Alec Rodger. So too does the British Psychological Society. And so especially does the whole development of psychology in Britain. The 40 years from 1935 to

1975 mark the long period of Alec Rodger's persistent and pervasive influence. In public and in private, in the public and the private sectors, he impressed on all who would listen that psychology was useful in fitting men to jobs and jobs to men.

He was head of the vocational guidance department at the National Institute of Industrial Psychology (NIIP), 1936-47. During this time he became a psychol-ogist at the War Office, 1942-43 (when General Sir Ronald Adam was Adjutant-General to the forces and invited the psychologists in), and Senior Psychologist to the Admiralty, 1941-47. For his final year at the Admiralty, 1947-8, he was Senior Principal Psychologist, and "established" and the first ever member of the Civil Service Psychologist Class that he had worked so hard to create. Birkbeck College in the University of London became the base of his activities for the rest of his career.

In his approach to his many achievements, Alec across the Rodger had been inspired, as others have been, by Charles students, to employees, founding father of British Psychology. C. S. Myers unmarried.

Professor Alec Rodger, founded the Psychological Professor of Occupational Laboratory at Cambridge, Psychology, University of where Alec Rodger read London, 1960-75 and subse-Moral Sciences Part II Psythe Commons in 1945 when quently Professor Emeritus, chology, 1978-29 (while Yatthe father of one of the men, died on February 15 at the man Exhibitioner at Caius). age of 74. The son of T. Myers founded the NIIP, Ritchie Rodger OBE, where "AR" cid "ye" Myers FRCSEd, Thomas Alexander founded the sections, and Rodger was born at Sanqumuch else besides, of the har, Dumfriesshire on British Psychological Society, including the Indus-trial Psychology Section in 1919. In 1958, while he waspresident. Alec Rodger persuaded the society to change the name to "Occupational Psychology Section". He was editing the journal Occupational Psychology (1946-58). The connotations were more humane. Occupational Psychology was his own term for his own approach to psy-chology; he invented it. In 1903, C. S. Myers had started the Psychology Department at King's College, London. It was transferred — lock, stock, barrel, Hipp chrono-scopes and every last library book and periodical - to become the Psychology De-partment at Birkbeck College in 1944. In 1948 Alec Rodger joined the Department as Reader in Psychology in the University of London, at the college, in good time to plan its first laboratories in the "new" building in Malet

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At Birkbeck he established the first university courses in Britain in Psychology applied to men and women and their jobs. In 1960 he became the first ever Professor of Occupational Psychology; and in 1961 he became the head of a new Department of Occupational Psychology at Birkbeck, distinct from the Psychology Department, and the first in the world.

Street.

Long by now is the tally of his part-time evening stu-dents from Birkbeck College and influential are the positions that they have. They, and his personnel selection officers, RNVR, from his Admiralty days in the 1940s, remember first his humanity, and his care for all who were changing or developing their careers. Like C. S. Myers, Alec Rodger believed profoundly in "giving Psychology away" (long before his that phrase was invented Alec across the Atlantic): to ed, as Psychologists, to manpower students, to employers, to employees, to anyone who would receive it. He was

A fluent and delightful

events. His ease of manner

made him a good broadcaster and he made several appearances on television, while his clear writing style found

expression particularly in two books, Introducing Quakers and The Amazing Fact of Quaker Worship,

which was his Swarthmore

Lecture to the London Yearly

Meeting of Friends in 1973.

Europe and the

States, a demand

means limited to

#### MR GEORGE GORMAN

David Firth writes:

George H. Gorman, who died on February 20 while on holiday in Sicily, was perhaps the heat beauty and the heat beauty manual to the heat beauty manu the best known member of the Society of Friends in this country. For thirty years, until his retirement only two until his retirement only two
months ago, his work as
general secretary of the
Friends Home Service Committee (recently renamed
Quaker Home Service) the world at large and to countless individual inquirers the essentials of the Quaker faith and the changing character of the Society of Friends. He was a missionary, in a Society which disapproves of proselytising; however, it was not doctrine but his warm and open character that helped to change the lives of many, and came to personify the humane attitudes of the Society he loved.

spent working in insurance, but in his early twenties George became a Quaker and soon, fired with the enthu-siasm of the convert, he was playing a valued part first Committee.

among the Young Friends
and then working from Collier, daughter of a disfriends House for the comlinguished Quaker doctor, mittee of which he became who with their three children general secretary in 1952.

George Gorman's deep concern for individuals and their problems led him into work in several areas outside the Society of Friends, such as the youth department of the British Council the British Council of Churches and the clerical advisory committee of the National Marriage Guidance Council, and in 1966 he acquired a major new George Gorman was born acquired a major new in 1916, the son of an Anglican clergyman, and educated at Chipping Campden Grammar School in the Cotswolds. Some years were Juvenile Court Panel and had just become a deputy chair-man of the Edmonton Petty Sessional Division, which he represented on the Middlesex Area Magistrates Court

string quartet, with Neville

Marriner, Eileen Grainger and Bernard Richards. This

ensemble was one of the best known and busiest in this

country for twenty-five years, and did a great deal to encourage the work of con-

He began to take pupils

soon after he came to London becoming a pro-fesser at the Royal Academy of Music in 1944 and all of us

who were fortunate encugn

to study with him (that list would be a violinist's direc-

tory of the last 40 years)

His honesty, encourage-ment, adherence to the

highest standards, ability to

would wish to thank him.

temporary composers.

#### MR DAVID MARTIN Trevor Williams writes:

For those who knew David Martin it will be with a sense of disbelief that they hear of his death. His qualities of kindness, thoughtfulness, warmth and friendship allied with integrity and constancy made him an unusually fine teacher and it seemed that he would always be with us.

He was born in Winnipeg
on August 2, 1911, and won
an Associated Board Scholar-

ship the year after his friend Frederick Grinke. Pupils of sellers as Badgers in the Big Mr Waterhouse in Canada, City, A Sadder but Wiser they both came to study at Sheep-Dog, and One-Parent Badgers in a Stress Situation.

L. P. Thompson, the new met his future wife, the cellist Florence Hooton and their mutual interest in chamber music was the basis of their distinguished careers. The friends they made were always loyal to them —

help and selflessness were given to all, and he never

stifled the students' individual talent by forcing his own upon them.

a tribute to them both. As perhaps the overall quality well as the piano trio they formed with Iris Loveridge, and through his work he will bavid was leader of the indeed always be with us.

# COL SIR IAN WALKER-OXEOVER

Colonel Sir Ian Walker- Second World War gaining a

Okeover, Bt, DSO, Lord double DSO while serving in Lieutenant of Derbyshire from 1951 to 1977, died on February 20 at the age of 79. He was High Sheriff of In 1956 he was granted royal Derbyshire in 1934.

the name Okeover to his own.

The eldest son of Sir Peter Walker, second baronet, who he succeeded in 1915, he had a distinguished career in the a distinguished career in the Okeover succeeds his father.



#### Latest appointments Latest appointments include:

Mr Robin Catford, under-sec-retary at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, to be the Prime Minister's secretary for appointments from March 22, in succession to Mr. Colin Peterson, who is promoted as an Under-Secretary to the Management and Personnel Office. Mr David Woodhall, assistant chief executive of Northampton-shire County Council, to be chief

Mr David Langdon, the

Miss N. H. Alexander, 67; Professor E. Boyland, 77; Lord Clitheroe, 81; Dr Lionel Dakers, SS; Mr Reginald Freeson, MP, 56; Mr Richard Hamilton, 60; Mr Charles McCail, 75; Lord Mel-chett, 24; Admiral Sir Villiam Pillar, 58; Mr Frank Rogers, 62; Sir Edgar Vaughan, 78; Sir Harold Wilkinson, 79.

cartoonist, who is 68.

executive to the Commissi New Towns. Mr William H. Spray, former headmaster of Leighton Park School, to be secretary of the Boarding Schools Association.

Keble College

laner Temple

The Warden and fellows of Keble College have pleasure in invining old members and their families to a garden party to be held on Saturday, May 29, 1932 (Eights Week). Admission will be by numbered ticket only, and application should be made to the Bursar as soon as possible.

boost the personal aspect of bookselling (or, as publishers say, to sign as many books as possible). Our team of skilled craftsmen will, in addition, be prepared to embrace any ordeal, down to appearing in Sunday colour mag group photos, if it helps to maximize sales, and even entertain you in your own home. Our team of glittering

Dame Ivy Salad-Burnet, grand old lady of English letters and best-selling authoress of The Edwardian best-selling Country Diary of Not Too Hard to Draw Wild Flowers. Hamish Naipaul, the little-known third member of the fabulous Flying Naipaul Brothers and winner of the Mc Ewan Export Prize for any Indian novel set in

knee-high portrait of his famous grandfather but also the first novel to be printed on two-ply soft paper in a pretty shade of peach. Lorean Lee, whose attempt to build up a memoir-manufaçturing centre in the West Country has been so successful, though only with one

left behind, but the results have more than justified their decision.

of the grim best-seller, The Scrabble Factory Outing.

Roald Blythe, suthor of Charlie and the Akenfield Sir Frank Delaney,

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TUC refused to join in, the Interior Minister chose to counter attack. The arrests after the February 12 general strike led, he claimed, to the discovery that the Communists were behind "concrete plans to subvert democratic institutions."

ance, which also left President António Ramalho Eanes, Portugal's 47-year-old army general turned skilled politican, virtually unchallengeable after his reelection for a second five-year term within days of the local property of the control of the property o

institutions." Of course the Communists denied any such thing, but the Government charges did come after Señor Mario Soares, the Socialists' leader, had already charged that the rigidly pro-Moscow line Portuguese Communist Party was carrying out a Soviet plan to destabilize the entire lberian peninsular.

# Apology demanded sphere of personal power. and obtained

When Moscow's Ambassawhen Moscow's Ambassa-dor in Lisbon replied, insult-ing Senhor Soares, the Government demanded, and obtained, an apology. It was a secret to no one in Lisbon that what lay behind all this Communist agirstical Communist agitation was a determination to oppose tooth and nail reform of the 1976 Constitution.

The scenario is for the Constitution to be shorn of the Marxist Socialist excesses imposed by revolutionary fervour in those days by a democratic vote of Parliament, and for a solemn proclamation of the reforms on April 25, the eighth anniversary of the Armed

Forces' Revolution.

The reforms, if they are agreed in Parliament by that date, are supposed to usher in a settled era of Portuguese politics with a learning tool the Portuguese people, in more or less diplomatic language, that they are living beyond their means.

As 1982 ended Portugal had a balance of payments deficit of \$2,000m, an even

Portugal's Coalition Government has to weather troubled times. But while the country's economic difficulties are fundemental, almost eight years after the "Revolution of the Carnations" it is the time-consuming, lumbering struggle of rival political factions which often dominates the national scene.

Senhor Francisco Pinto Balsemão, the midddle of the road Social Democrat Prime Minister, has this month had to withstand a politically inspired 24-hour general strike called by the Communists and to face a motion of no confidence put down in Parliament by the Socialist opposition.

After the Communist-led General Confederation of Labour failed to paralyze the country, largely because workers in the rival pro-

country, largely because edly left a void to be filled. workers in the rival proSocialist and Social Democrat adjusting to his disappearTUC refused to join in, the

Social Democratic Prime Minister's death, Senhor Pinto Balsemão,

his genuinely middle of the road successor, had throughout 1981 to struggle to assert his own authority as various "barons" within his own party and the right-wing Christian Democratic Party in the loose Democratic Alliance coalition each sought to manoevre to influ-

Last summer's political crisis, when Senhor Pinto Balsemão first stopped challenging his rivals and then was called back, could not really be definitive since all the elements of the coalition need each other to remain in power.

Unfortunately for Prime Minister, what came afterwards was the prolonged overshadows the national scene. Everyone from the IMF and the OECD to Senhor João Salgueiro, one of the three "superiminsters" to emerge after the August reshuffle and put in charge of finance, planning and European integration, has

A villager in the north-east. The tiny agricultural plots of northern Portugal underline the daunting tasks of modernization the country faces if it is to cope with entry to the EEC in 1984. Richard Wigg discusses the domestic political scene (left) and (below) analyses the

new mood of realism about Community membership

worse record of deficit than that of 1977, after three preceding years of revol-utionary upheavals. Senhor Sa Carneiro may

have had a political grand design, but his Government failed to find any formulae or Portuguese people work harder and prosper. Petrol imports, coupled with the dollar's rise, high interest rates and the drought, bringing a 30 per cent drop in harvests could all he blamed. harvests, could all be blamed,

Eanes, in his new year message, declared that the economic question will this year be "the crucial problem for Portugal whatever happens in politics."

The 1982 budget was presented by Senhor Salgueiro last November as designed for "national salvation," but and were. But Portugal, the austerity measures, above which since the Revolution all a wage coffing set well has had to import annually 50 below officially admitted to 60 per cent of its food inflation rates, have inevi-

requirements, ended last year with an official admission of 75 per cent of food imports.

No wonder that President Eanes, in his new year

Administration was approved by Parliament, began a series of ever-widening of ever-widening strikes, culminating in the 24-hour general strike. But the Socialists, led by Senhor Mário Soares, also decided the time had come last month to launch a campaign offering themselves as an alternative

with anything.

of Portugal.

always remember.

From the treetops

as centre half and the game has been his life. His memories and

It's the taste of sun that you'll

his own initiative. Perhaps it was the only way, he judged, he could influence a Parliamentary commission quietly working away at severely reducing the presi-dential powers under the Constitution which created Portugal's unique semi-

Portugal's unique semi-presidential system.

The Prime Minister is the chief of the executive respon-sible to Parliament but one key provision of the 1976 Constitution gives the directly elected president the right to relieve the premier and four years ago President Eanes sent Senhor Soares, Portugal's first Socialist Prime Minister into oppo-sition by using it.

#### Alarm for party politicians

President Eanes' threat, issued through a trusted spokesman, that if he lost those powers he would promulgate the constitutional reforms but then resign and form his own political movement, alarmed the party politicians deeply. But it was the clearly implied challenges the clearly-implied challenge to their own future, through a realignment of political forces, which worried them

The semi-presidential system, enshrining a method of checks and balances, can be derended respectably enough, even if Portugal's strong-willed enough, even it rortugal's strong-willed politicians are precisely those who find it most awkward to work. But for the Portuguese people there are advantages in a presidential arbiter, provided he intervenes only occasion. he intervenes only occasionally, when the national interest demands, and lets the Government of the day get on with the business of the day.

The December 1980 presidential election, in which Senhor Sa Carneiro came.

Senhor Sa Carneiro cam-paigned so vehemently until the air crash killed him three days before polling, showed that the Portuguese do, indeed, favour the existing in his party, Senhor Soares had to struggle to regain a highly-personalized sway over his formation.

The biggest surprise came, however, last month when President Eanes, who had notably helped the Prime Minister to win through last summer's crisis, appeared to make a contribution of his own. Only days after demanding in the new year message indeed, favour the existing system, and then rejected the figurehead-type presidency Senhor Sa Carneiro's candidate offered them. After President Eanes' initiative last month, a public opinion poll, published in the Lisbon Expresso, showed 45 per cent of those questioned supported him against only own. Only days after demanding in the new year message

The party politicians had little real excuse for being shocked. Early in December President Eanes, while rejecting those voices calling on him to form a presidential party, had bluntly warned the parties that if they went on showing little capacity to solve the nation's problems he might exercise his power to dissolve Parliament and soll elections carlier than the

launch his own political

call elections earlier than the constitutionally foreseen date, October, 1984. The upshot of the debate which followed the presidenwhich tottowed the presidential initiative was that the Socialists, whose support is vital to the Democratic Alliance Government to provide the two-thirds majority required for any constitutional

majority required for any constitutional reform, decided the President should keep his political powers, though lose to the Government the right to nominate the service chiefs and the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Serf of Staff.

The Revolutionary Council, the Armed Forces' watch-

dog, originally set up precisely in an effort to maintain revolutionary pro-visions in the Constitution, is however doomed. Repeatedly it has challenged the Sa Carneiro and Pinto Balsemão Governments head on, blocking legislation passed by parliamentary majorities.

Colonel Melo Antunes, one

of the surviving figures of the revolutionary era and chairman of the Consti-tutional Committee of the Revolutionary Council, suggested in an interview with a French magazine last December that if the party politicians were bent on confrontation with a presidency whose powers they resented Portugal could find itself in a cul de sac. The only way out was fresh elections and a left wing government based on an alliance of Socialists and Communists. He was an-swered frankly by Senhor Soares making clear that after the Portuguese Commu-nist Party's defence of the Jaruzelski regime in Poland, such an idea was totally unrealistic.

With an increase of about 25 per cent in consumer prices last year and wage ceilings on top of a per capita level of national income half that of Greece, the mass of ordinary Portuguese people are experiencing hard times selves as an alternative ing in the new year message any change in the president government.

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# Going to market . . . slowly

delegation from Portugal's Confederation of Industry (CIP) went on a fact-finding mission to the European Community headquarters last December M Etienne Davignon, vice president of the Brussels Commission, warned them: "Joining the EEC, is not like writing a letter to Father Christmas."

As the negotiations for Portugal's joining reach the detailed stage — the Pinto Balsemão Government wants them to be carried through to conclusion by late this year or early 1983 with the accession date still targeted as January 1, 1984 — a belated realism is beginning to crow among businessmen, industrialists, importers, and some of the better-informed retailers and farmers.

This is the biggest change noticeable — Portugal first applied formally to join in 1977 — after years of generalized professions of support for accession without any detailed study or prior knowledge of the problems. The stage of effec-tive preparation for entry however has still really to

begin.
The problems facing Portugal's textile industry over integration well illustrate some of the new realism. There exist numerous small and medium-sized firms, 85 per cent of the industry, but they only produce some 30 per cent of the textiles and clothing. The Confederation of Industry, defending their interests as members, has been flatly urging the Government since last sum-mer not to join the EEC if, as modernize, that funds should one director expressed it, go precisely to the textile

"the Common Market is unwilling to apply its own basic principle of a market without internal trading bar-riers to Portugal's chief

Even before acceding Portugal is experiencing the effects of one of those typical tough Brussels battles over the economic and political interests of existing member states. Britain and ing futher to sacrifice their own textile industries to a more competitive newcomer in items like blouses, T-shirts, and trousers. The shirts, and trousers. The rhetoric has died away about helping one of the poorer nations of Southern Europe to integrate. With the voluntary re-

straint agreement having run out on December 31, something to put in its place is being devised by the Ten. Senhor João Salgueiro, the Finance Minister who has charge of the EEC nego-tiations, knows that one sector, however influential, cannot be allowed to dictate the course of the entire negotiations. In Brussels last month he only warned the Ten, therefore, that Portugal could not accept quotas of voluntary restraints which would "seriously" limit its future textue exports.

The ECC last year agreed 275 million units of account pre-accession aid to Portugal, 100 million as grant and 150 million as soft loans Again, a conflict of interest emerged with France and Italy unwilling under the provision for aid to small and medium-

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industry. It had, they maintained, to be aid to diversify into new areas, ideally in a future marriage of Portugal's relative low wage costs, and imports of new technology elsewhere. Meanwhile France and Italy used other EEC funds to modernize their own

textile industries. Agriculture is another vital sector where that pre-accession aid is foreseen. As joining comes slowly nearer, realism is beginning to concentrate not on the single problem of Portugal's future exports to the Community of tomato paste (as in the past) but on the immense problems of farm modernization, agricultural training and organization of markets. But little has happened because of the absence of projects from Portugal.

#### Today's realities are daunting

methods could with specific crops bring increases in crops bring increases in productivity in Portugal of up to 200 to 300 per cent. Today's realists Today's realities however are daunting: 300,000 out of Portugal's total of 800,000 farms have less than one hectare, 50 per cent of the farmers (average age 50) are functionally illiterate and an estimated 75 per cent have no idea of book-keeping. The farming sector accounts for only 18 per cent of the gross domestic product while em-ploying 33 per cent of the national labour force. Agri-cultural productivity is still below what it was in the last year before the Revolution yet almost six years have elapsed since the first democratically - elected government took office after it.

late Portugal's farmers to grow more cereals, though this has run into criticism for concentrating on a mere over the past five years the wolume increase when there most common reply is to

mão Governments the contors. solidation of the farmers' minuscule farming units in northern Portugal has not been pushed ahead nor is there a vigorous cooperative like introducing value added movement in preparation for tax and what happens EEC entry.

need to prepare for joining? One element in the Govern-margins.

ment's strategy of pushing There exists an alarming ahead politically is admitted gap between what the proprivately to be based on the fessional organizations now judgment that entrepreneurs know and their rank and file judgment that entrepreneurs will be joited into taking members throughout the own necessary de-

ting them off. Following the example of Greece, Portuguese experts agriculture risks buckling under a five-year transition period, and that Lisbon's negotiators must obtain from Brussels ten years, especially sectors like dairy and meat products. The danger to agriculture comes especially from Portugal's two big neighbours, France and Spain after joining, and one former Portuguese agricul-ture minister has seriously maintained his country maintained his country would need as much as a 20 year transition period A major headache is tha Portugal's chronic balance of

payments deficit problem already an immense neck" for the nation's econ-omic growth, would become even worse if more costly cereals were imported from EEC partners instead of as now from the United States or Canada. Portugal here has In theory, modern farming a convergent interest with Britain over reforming the Community's budget and agricultural policy.

Many informed Portugues now argue to the effect that a more flexible attitude is required of Brussels over a compensating resort by Por-tugal to the European re-gional development and social funds if an acceptable burdens involved is ever to be reached.

For industry a five year general transition period is spoken of, but trade organizations always couple this with provisos about the use of safeguard clauses sectorially. The Government has still to adopt a detailed rially. The Government has still to adopt a detailed position, industrialists say. In the face of massive food imports, never below 50 per cent of the nation's total requirements since 1974, the Government has just begun an incentive scheme to stimulate Portugal's farmers to

executive why more preparation has not gone forward volume increase when there most common reply is to exists an urgent need to blame the country's poli-improve quality. improve quality.

In spite of promises by the Sa Carneiro and Pinto Belse
ticians, all from left to right, with stability and certainty still not in sight for inves-

The new realism creeping in is also noticeable among those to be affected by the "bread and butter" problems to the country's long-s How long then will Portu-ing system of prices fixed by gal's fragile economy still the authorities on many essential goods and on profit

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# Revenue is rising, but so is the deficit

to slow the pace of growth in the economy to adjust to worsening domestic and international economic conditions. After a remarkable 5.5 per cent growth in 1980; the rate declined by more than half to 2.5 per cent last year. This was the intended effect of a mini-budget intro-duced in July 1981, which raised interest rates to tighten credit (despite the implications of such a measure for the numerous firms in a weak financial position), and to contain inflation and the current account deficit within manageable levels. At the same time, the Government moved to raise public service and energy prices and begin a programme of scrap-ping price subsidies.

By the end of the year it was clear that this first austerity programme was falling to reach its goals and the Government then found it necessary to introduce a more stringent plan. After seven years of climbing budget deficits, the prime targets for austerity were, again, the civil service, the budgets of state sector enter-prises and subsidies. Rev-enue in 1982 is now expected to rise by a quarter to 352,000m escudos, the result of increases in indirect and certain direct taxes (as well-as bringing civil servants into the tax net for the first time),

the tax net for the first time), more efficient tax collection and tougher measures to prevent fiscal fraud.

Despite the predicted increase in revenues, the deficit is still expected to go up by about 5 per cent to 151,000m escudos in 1982. About two-thirds of this are accounted for by rising interest payments in Portugal's \$10,000m foreign debt.

Portugal's austere plans for 1982 are based on the expectation of normal rainfall. The country's problems fall. The country's problems in 1981 were compounded by a severe drought which broke with flooding in January this year. Full results are not yet available, but it is estimated that cereal crops fell by 40 per cent in 1981 from 1980 output and that imports of oil for electricity generation for electricity generation rose substantially. Imports of food and animal feeds had to be boosted by 74 per cent from their 1980 levels. The extra cost of food and grain alone is much \$1.500m while alone is put at \$1,500m, while it is likely that Portugal will continue to import elec-tricity, at least until its hydroelectric reservoirs attain near normal levels. In 1981 these imports, mostly from France, were up 67 per cent over 1980 figures.

Speeding up evaluation

In the first half of 1981, a current account deficit of \$1,600m was recorded and it \$1,600m was recorded and it is officially predicted that the total for the year may be close to \$2,000m (the OECD forecasts \$1,7500m in 1981). The major reason for the increase in the current account deficit was a decline in the terms of trade and high demand for imports, particularly oil, which were nearly twice as large as year, imports fell by only 3 per cent in response to the Government's two austerity packages in 1981. Other explanations for the

growth of the current account deficit include a decline in remittances from workers in Europe (these were to some extent cushioned by those from the rest of the world, inflated by the US dollar's strength during 1981) and, although tourist arrivals were at near record levels, individuals' spending was depressed by higher local prices and a tendency to cut spending

tendency to cut spending luxuries.

The enlarged current account deficit was financed almost entirely by capital inflows. Last year was a record year on the Euromarkets for Portugal, and about \$1,100m was raised up to November 1981 or more than November 1981 or more than twice as much as during the whole of 1980. Portugal's \$500m jumbo loan in early 1981 commanded the finest spreads the country has yet achieved (half point over Libor for the first six years and three quarters of a point for the remainder) and represented a significant advance in terms or 1900. vance in terms on 1980's rather smaller-scale loan to the republic.

In the last quarter of 1981, the Portuguese Post Office — CTT (\$50m), the Airport Authority — ESPANA (\$20m), the Sines port and petrochemical scheme — GAS (\$50m) and the highway authority — JAE (\$80m), all raised money on the Euromarkets. Direct foreign investment. money on the Euromarkets. Direct foreign investment, influenced by Portugal's efforts to join the EEC, increased by 150 per cent in 1980 and 49 per cent in 1981 to total 9,300m escudos in the latter year. Industrial investments accounted for about holi the 1981 figure and those half the 1981 figure and those in services (including tour-ism) for some 40 per cent; the United States and France together contributed half of the total investment from

reserves (excluding gold) rose from \$795m in September 1980 to \$814m a year later. However, by October 1981 they, had dropped to \$616m as reserves were drawn down to pay for imports and for interest and amortizations on the Swedish krona. As further aids to export interest and amortizations on the Swedish krona. As growth, additional export interest and amortizations on the swedish krona. As growth, additional export interests and amortizations on the swedish krona. million ounces of gold in its access to export credits for at close to \$9.000m at clos at close to \$9,000m at current market prices — for official purposes they are valued at \$5,600m by the Portuguese; less than one tonne of gold is now held as pledges against Portugal's loans, due to their repayment on schedule.

In wages policy, the Government has endeavoured to bring down the turget for wage awards from 23 per and drought relief and educent in 1980 to 16 per cent to cation. After rises of 4 per 17.2 per cent in 1981 and has cent and 3 per cent respect-set a target of 14.75 per cent ively in 1981, public and for this year, with a 2 per cent margin for increases in forecast to rise by only 2 per cent this year as a require of

Portugal was forced last year Portugal's exports. Despite a climate and strikes cost the effort, a borrowing limit of to slow the pace of growth in the economy to adjust to the first nine months of last hours last year. A general foreign loans. Even this sum hours last year. A general strike on February 12 was called by Intersingical. The decline in wage rise targets is intended to courribute to the conduction of inflation which reduction of inflation, which Agriculture remains an fell from 24.2 per cent in 1979 area of prime government to 14.4 per cent in 1980 — one concern, with its present of the major successes of Senhor Sa Carneiro's period of government — aided by the year's abundant crops and a revaluation of the escudo in February 1980. In increased. The agrarian reference is the post level of productivity a major brake on development. As well as making drought aid available, official price support levels are being escudo in February 1980. In increased. The agrarian reference is the post level of productivity a major brake on development. As well as making drought aid a revaluation of the port levels are being escudo in February 1980. In the year to September 1981, form programme has had to

#### Agriculture a problem

conducted in the third quar-ter of 1981, which reported that the expectation of fewer producing intermediate goods appeared to be suffering most, with more than a

exports' increase to 7.5 per cent this year from 3.5 per cant in 1981, the authorities have announced that the crawling-peg devaluation of the escudo is to be speeded up from 0.5 per cent to 0.75 per cent a month. Last year per cent a month. Last year the escudo lost 6.25 per cent against a basket of the currencies of Portugal's major trading partners. It lost 19.1 per cent and 18.3 per overseas in 1981.

Due to high inflows of Canadian and US dollars, 17 foreign loans and direct per cent against the Swiss investment, foreign exchange franc and 14.4 per cent against the other serves (excluding gold) against the yen. On the other hand it gained 5.6 per cent major local firms, guaren-teed.

To investments of 53,900m escudos by the public sector are planned for the year. Funds are earmarked for the Funds are earmarked for the labour. The community is Sines petrochemical and providing 275 million units of industrial complex and deep-account (EUA) as pre-acwater port, and an airport in Madeira, as well as for water port, and an airport in Madeira, as well as for million EUA and grants, 125 highways, agriculture aids and drought relief and eduble below Portugal's original cution After rises of A portugal's original productivity. Lower wage cent this year, as a result of rises have caused a marked the Government's 1982 ausworsening of the labour terity schemes. As part of the

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consumer prices increased at a rate of 23.6 per cent, boosted by local cost increases, due to the effect of the drought on food prices (23.9 per cent) and higher energy and tax costs. to improve marketing and technology.

Two other major challenges face the country in the economic arena this year: reform of the 1976 post-revol-The drought-related cuts in ution constitution and energy supplies to Portu-accession to the EEC. Both guese companies have had have tempered policy-making their effect on output. This is since the Democratic Alconsistent with the findings of an INE (National Statistical Institute) business survey amend the constitution, the Democratic Alliance must obtain a two-thirds majority in the Assembly. A multiexport orders was also have party committee is working ing a depressing effect. This on amendments for debate, reverses the trend between and the new legislation is 1977 and 1980 when foreign expected to be passed by demand for Portuguese prod- April 25. So far the comdemand for Portuguese products provided the market with buoyancy; now the converse is true. Industries Revolution, a non-elected allmilitary body which has veto powers over the Government legislation. Progress on the third of respondents reportvexed issue of densionalizaing over capacity for work in
hand.

To double the rate of been much slower. Senhor Pinto Balsemão, the Prime Minister, has stated that reform to the public sector aspects of the constitution will be within the realists of the possible, rather than the justifiable".

Although the admission date for entry to the EEC has been postponed from 1983 to 1984, given the EEC's own budget and agricultural (CAP) problems, enthusiasm among Portugal's major political parties (except the Communists) remains high. Communists) remains high. The Portuguese are worried that delays in Spain's negotiations, especially on agriculture, will delay their own accession beyond January 1, 1984, and Senhor Pinto Balsemao has been pressing EEC heads of government to allow his country to sign the allow his country to sign the preliminary treaty towards the end of this year.

Even if Portugal should see its wish fulfilled, long pected for agriculture, fishing, textiles and the free movement of capital and request — for investment in agricultural and regional development, roads and tourism projects, help for small and medium scale industry and vocational training.

Michael Wooller

# Where are the foreign investors?

attempts in recent years to attract foreign investors to Portugal, overall results have not been highly successful.

While the percentage increase of direct foreign investment in 1981 rose by

49.4, it amounted to a mere 9,000m escudos (about £90m), and only 19 per cent of this went into new plant, a low figure for a country which must invest heavily to meet the challenge of entry to the European Economic Community.

unity.

Analysts believe that the slowness in investment recovery is not only due to a lack of confidence after the 1974 revolution and political instability, but also to the international recession, a slowdown in worldwide investment and continuing institutional conflict within Portugal. tugal.

However, the two-year-old right of centre Democratic Alliance coalition, determined to swing Portugal's orientation around 180° and become a full partner in the European Community, has moved to open investment doors as wide as possible.

It has defined 12 priority areas for foreign investment, including food processing basic pharmaceuticals, and precision instruments and will give virtually automatic authorization in these areas, provided the project fulfils

minimum objectives.

It has approved a new incentive system assessing investments by their per-formance, industrial priority and geographical location. Benefits can include nineyear tax holidays and exemp-tion from, or reduction in, import duties. Large inves-tors can also negotiate spe-cial conditions, including government grants and lower interest rates on bank loans.

Because of its cumbersome nature, the incentive scheme has not stimulated foreign investment as planned and it

led with this the Government is putting the finishing touches to a new packet of foreign investment measures, including alterations to the foreign investment code established in 1977, removing

restrictive aspects.

An important planned reform here will be the liberalization of conditions for the repairiation of capital and dividends by foreign investors now conditioned by delays related to Portugal's balance of payments.

Two top priority areas to which the Government applies even more attractive investment incentives are the tourism industry and exportoriented enterprises. Investors in these sectors have privileged access to hard-toget local credit (stringently controlled by credit ceitings set by the Central Bank) and other fiscal and financial

Arab world investors have shown a certain positive response recently to these schemes and are moving into tourism projects. A Swiss-

company Petrogal to build and operate two luxury hotels in Lisbon and Oporto.

Danish and Arab entrepreneurs are said to be on the verge of signing deals to open multi-million dollar deposits in Western Europe

tourist complexes of the Club Mediterranee type in different parts of the These areas apart, foreign companies are also looking hard at Portugal as an export base both to the EEC and to the former Portuguese

colonies. Encouraging this trend, the Government is vigorously promoting its Sines industrial complex and harbour south

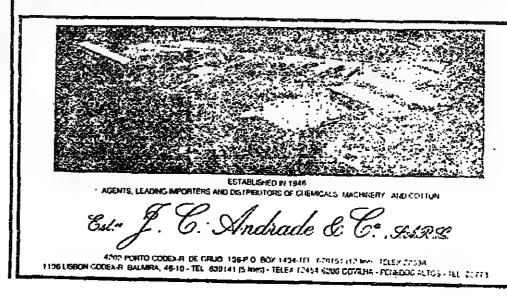
of Lisbon.
This 41,000 hectare estate is graded for medium-sized projects aimed at export markets in the Middle East, Africa and Sines administrators have hired an

American research company to sell its facilities to potential North American investors. As a result, the Ford motor company retains its from opening here. based Saudi group signed a expressed interest in estab-\$36.5m joint venture deal lishing a joint venture plant with the state-owned oil at Sines once the world car

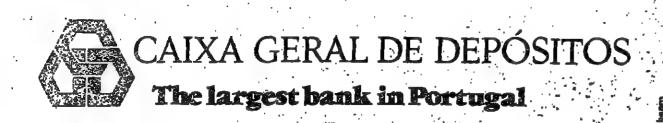
Nearby, the richest pyrite deposits in Western Europe are sparking much interest and artracting numbers of would be foreign investors. The Government is keen to wealth is turned into a value-added asset and is exploring deals to process the raw material locally and export finished products.

On the financial front many international banks have opened representative offices and parabanking organizations. The financiers offices are positioning themselves for the time when Portugal's highly - restrictive legis-lation on banking and insurance changes. So far the tried to alter the 1977 private and public sector law. governing these activities and which for ideological reasons prevents new private banks

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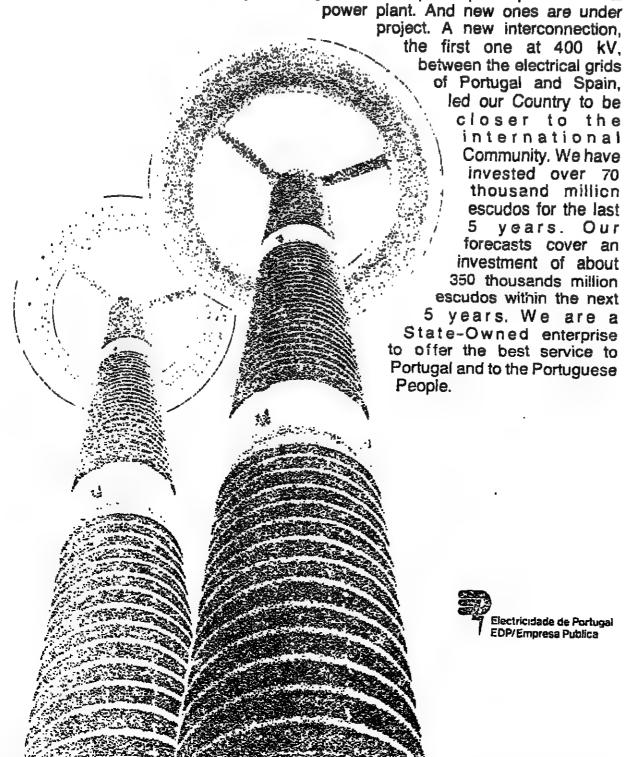




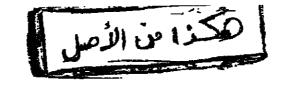


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The Government's main task now is to restructure the economy and to prepare Portugal's accession to the EEC, also planned for 1984.

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AD - Democratic Alliance PSD - Social Democratic Party CDS - Centre Democratic Party PPM - People's Monarchist

APU - United People's

MDP/CDE - People's Democratic Movement PCP - Portuguese Communist Party FRS - Republican and Socialist Front
PS - Socialist Party
UESD - Union of the Socialist and Democratic Left ASDA - Association of Democrats

UDP - People's Democratic

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| Other  |                                   | 2,324                               |                                  | 1,624                               | <del></del> .                     | 7,351                                | Source: INE  |  |
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|  | 1970<br>Tonnes                    | E.000                               | 1975<br>Tonnes                   | 000.3                               | 1980<br>Toomes                    | £'000                                | 1977<br>1978<br>1979                                     | : 617.4<br>765.8<br>973.1                    |
| Livestock/meat<br>Animal products<br>Fats and oils                       | 4,112<br>18,948<br>1,090          | 2,259<br>2,709<br>528               | 678<br>15,118<br><b>99</b> 3     | 1,444<br>2,400<br>515               | 2,283<br>35,618<br>1,095          | 2,266<br>5,639<br>639                | Gross Dome   | 1,174.9<br>stic Product                      |
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| Mineral products<br>Wood/cork<br>Paper and pulp<br>Textiles              | 262,188<br>583<br>2,236<br>8,438  | 19,620<br>168<br>2,253<br>14,875    | 234,767<br>215<br>2,597<br>8,609 | 22,356<br>194<br>2,862<br>18,409    | 184,841<br>666<br>7,519<br>10,486 | 32,447<br>273<br>4,507<br>20,402     |  |  |
| Footwear<br>Ceramics<br>Jewellery/slones                                 | 3,093<br>4                        | 3,097<br>1,203                      | 4,728<br>4,728<br>4<br>48,084    | 47<br>2,645<br>4,4,175              | 51<br>3,732<br>5                  | 212<br>3,840<br>5,741                | 1981 1,62<br>1982 2,11                                   | 6.7 · 3.5*                                   |
| Metal products<br>Elec. machinery<br>Transport equip.<br>Electronic etc. | 81,794<br>17,522<br>52,921<br>471 | 22,157<br>52,001<br>86,104<br>5,874 | 15,783<br>52,208<br>516          | 24,284<br>50,560<br>96,625<br>6,492 | 69,452<br>21,942<br>51,514<br>626 | 26,696<br>77,513<br>104,234<br>8,511 | Source: BMF, Bank<br>Planning Dept, and off<br>estimate. | of Portugni, Central<br>ters.                |
| Furniture  | 463<br>3                          | 1,796<br>72                         | 472<br>8                         | 1,864<br>84                         | 543                               | 2,233                                | Gold reserve   | S  |
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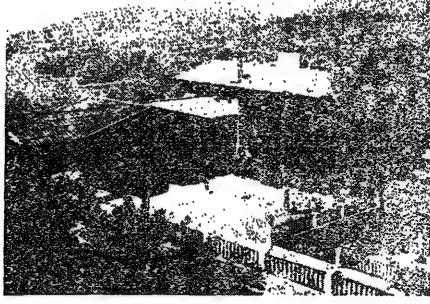
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# Economic situation and prospects

THE PORTUGUESE economic situation recorded a certain deterioration in 1981, reflected in a worsening of the external current account and in the virtual stagnation of output. This development was mainly due to adverse exogenous factors. Portugal had to face the international recession, the soaring of the dollar and of international interest rates on top of the worse drought of the past 50 years.

Industrial production was particularly hit by the external recession (Portuguese exports represent about 28% of GDP, and most of them come from the industrial sector). Agriculture and electric production were severely affected by the drought, with a direct impact on the trade balance. Large quantities of food had to be imported in order to compensate for falling domestic output, as well as additional fuel supplies to match the need for increased thermoelectric production called for by falling hydro-electric production. However, the most important cause for the external deterioration was the fall of exports, hit by international recession aggravated by increased protectionism, particularly against textiles.

The worsening of our external account led to a reordering of policy priorities. In fact, the control of inflation had been the top priority in 1980, in face of the dramatic improvement in the external accounts during 1978-79. The inflation rate was brought down from 24.2% in 1979 to 16.6% in 1980. In 1981, the external constraint recovered its weight, leading the Government to adopt a policy package which will hopefully improve the situation in the current year.

As far as monetary policy is concerned, the main decisions were to raise interest rates and legal reserve requirements and to enforce more strictly the rationing of credit. The rise in the reserve-deposits ratio (from 7% to 10%) aimed at mopping up part of the excess bank liquidity which led banks to exceed the credit ceilings. The latter are the key instrument of monetary control in Portugal since 1978. The rise in lending rates was combined with a tightening of credit policy, in order to reduce credit demand and thus moderate domestic demand. Finally, the increase in deposit rates was intended to encourage domestic savings and to adjust to the widespread increase

Fiscal policy was also set in motion to contain public consumption in the second half of 1981, and the budget for 1982 was approved in time to allow it to become effective since the beginning of the fiscal year — which happens for the first time since 1977. The budget is clearly designed to reduce the public current deficit.

Wage guidelines are also bound to play an important role in 1982. The Government intends to undertake economic sanctions against firms that increase wages beyond pre-specified rates.

Energy prices were adjusted in December 1981, aiming at reducing consumption.

On the basis of the measures already undertaken or projected, the Plan for 1982 foresees an improvement in our economic performance. It assumes, of course, that the extremely adverse exogenous conditions of 1981 won't repeat themselves. Thus, the Plan forecasts a certain recovery of exports, which will benefit from the contribution of products from the new petrochemical complex of Sines. As for imports, a slight deceleration is expected, as a consequence of better crops and of presumable stock increases in 1981. Capital formation is expected to be again the most dynamic component of domestic demand, with a growth rate of 6%, close to the estimated figure for last

The Plan also adopts a longer run perspective, to be combined with the stabilizing policies. The following examples illustrate this point: the presentation of the National Energy Plan is envisaged; efforts towards diversification of external markets, which already produced some results in 1981, will be continued; the rapid conclusion of investments now underway in public firms and the implementation of small investments aimed at rapidly increasing output or at removing bottlenecks in the activity of firms will be pursued; a careful scrutiny of projects conducive to the expansion of investment, particularly in the exporting sector, and to modernization of agriculture, will be the basis for granting preferential credit.

Nevertheless, the solution for our short term and long term economic problems, depends, to a larger extent than in more developed countries, on the international environment. The signs of a recovery in the world economy, however slight, put a note of optimism in the Portuguese economic outlook for 1982. Portugal is also counting on the contribution of foreign direct investment for the modernization of the economy; Portugal stands up as an attractive and safe place for that purpose. However, the reduction of protectionism is a vital element in the strategy for economic recovery, and a claim we have to keep in the conversations we are holding with our trade partners of the European Economic Community.

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DEFENCE

# Iberian joint command versus history

The Portuguese Government has publicly promised it will do everything in its power too see that Spain's application to join the North Atlantic Treaty Organization this year is quickly ratified by Parliament. But it remains deeply preoccupied about the Portugal's for <sup>-</sup> national interests of the integration of its more powerful Iberian partner into he Western defence alliance.

PORTUGAL SERVICE

Negotiations over the deineation of the existing Nato to start in Brussels but they will have to take extreme pendence. care of Portuguese historic sensitivities. The Portuguese do not want a single soldier, sailor, or even airman or theirs under any Spanish towards the Mediterranean commanders. This remains and Central Europe. He the message to Nato's Brusproposed creating for the sels headquarters even after peninsula two completely distinct geostrategic zones. United States and Spain to give Lisbon guarantees and assurances through diplo-matic channels.

The Nato issue has been complicated by suspicion between Madrid and Lisbon over the Portuguese Govern-ment's latest campaign, started with the Prime Minister's visit to Brussels last month, to join the European Community by January 1 1984, regardless of what happens about Spanish entry. The poor personal relations between the two countries' Prime Ministers, Senhor Francisco Pinto Balsemão and Señor Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo, in spite of two carefully-arranged meetings within a few months, do not help.

Cabinet deciding to seek at Iberlant. But this Atlantic the one paid on a similar Parliamentary approval last command does not at present errand by President Mitteratumn to apply to join Nato, include Portugal's Azores, rand to Algeria. Professor Freitas do Amaral, Portugal's Defence Minister, rejected the speculation which had surfaced in Mad-rid of a unified Iberian land commander under Spanish States Navy is about to commanders. He spoke of expand facilities there con-'safeguarding national independence."

Senhor Mário Soares, the Opposition leader and former Socialist Prime Minister, subsequently took an equally firm line over a land com-Spain's future role have yet mand, referring identically to start in Brussels but they respecting Portugal's inde-

The Defence Minister argued that Portugal's essential role under Nato lay in the

But in fact Portugal has to accept that Spain has an Atlantic role as well, based on the Canary Islands, even if Lisbon tries simply to ignore Spain's naval stations at El Ferrol and Cadiz.

While a joint air command would make obvious defence sense to Nato, and could perhaps be a long-term goal, the pressing issues are the present Iberlant command based on Oeiras, just outside Lisbon, and responsible to Norfolk, Virginia, and the probable creation of a Span-ish-officered new command under Nato stretching from the Canaries, through the straits of Gibraltar, to the

has agreed to a Portuguese Within days of the Spanish first time from an American pendence as significant as

include Portugal's Azores, where the Americans have one of their vital defence staging posts, the Lajes base. Its significance has grown of recent years and the United

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In Portuguese eyes it
Soares, the would be politically imposand former sible for Nato to accord Spain a major defence role in the alliance from the Canaries to the Balearics without including the Azores in the Iberlant command.

As Spain draws politically closer to Nato, as in the Nato countries' top level consul-tations over Poland at the European Security Review conference in Madrid earlier this month, every step is watched hawk-eyed by the Portuguese. Mr Alexander Haig, the United States Secretary of State, had, after attending the Madrid conference, to visit Lisbon to enable the Portuguese to repeat demands for guarantees on their Nato role in exchange for continued bila-teral use of important de-

fence facilities. Portugal's other important contribution to Western interests, combatting Commu-nist penetration, lies through its links with Africa, especially its two major former colonies, Mozambique and Angola. President Eanes, accompanied by Senhor Andre Gonçalves Pereira, the Foreign Minister, paid a state visit to Maputo (formerly From next September Nato November, an act of rec-as sereed to a Portuguese onciliation with the Frelimo Marques) admiral taking over from the regime six years after inde-

The Portuguese President got an enthusiastic popular welcome. He laid a wreath on the tomb of the revolutionary heroes and visited the Cabora Bassa hydro electric scheme, near Tete, begun before the 1974 revolution, never nationalized, and with 80 per cent of the capital still Portu-guese. With him went rep-resentatives of about 30 Portuguese concerns who found an almost desperate desire for development assistance and for the return of skills withdrawn precipitately

at independence. Portugal's own weak ecohowever, that its trade is less important in the Portuguese speaking former

than Brazil's. The continued warring in Angola, with South African and Soviet-backed Cuban involvement, makes a similar Portuguese mediating role less easy. At his new year meeting in Lisbon diplomats, President Eanes emphasized Portugal's view that Namibia must first achieve its independence before there can be peace in southern Africa. Portugal's inability to do anything about the wretched fate of East Timor, invaded by the Indonesian Army and incorporated subsequently, was emphasized by the revelations of last autumn, damaging the reputations in the historic decolonization process of both politicians and soldiers. Officially Beauty for the people of East Timor:

Richard Wigg



TOURISM

tourism becomes more important every year, and first figures available for 1981 show that the total of all visitors entering the country crease of more than 4 per cent. The number of those who stayed at least one night increased by 8.7 per cent and the total of "bed nights", as hotel occupancy is registered; reached nearly 29,500,000 — a 4.7 per cent

In view of general world recession the Portuguese have good reason to be happy, for revenue from tourism accounts for between 5 per cent and 6 per cent of the gnp. The highest foreign currency revenue is from remittances by emi-grants living abroad, which on average is more than twice the tourism total. Details of the latter are not yet published for last year, but in 1980 the Central Bank received a total of \$1,148m.

The tourist industry and its ancillary activities are estimated to give employment to between 200,000 and 250,000 people, but there is also further profit from tourist spending, for example in shops and restaurants.

Senhor Manuel da Rocha director of planning and research at the Portuguese National Tourist Office in Lisbon, said: "We cannot calculate average spending by each nationality, but only learn from the bank the amount of currency which is exchanged.

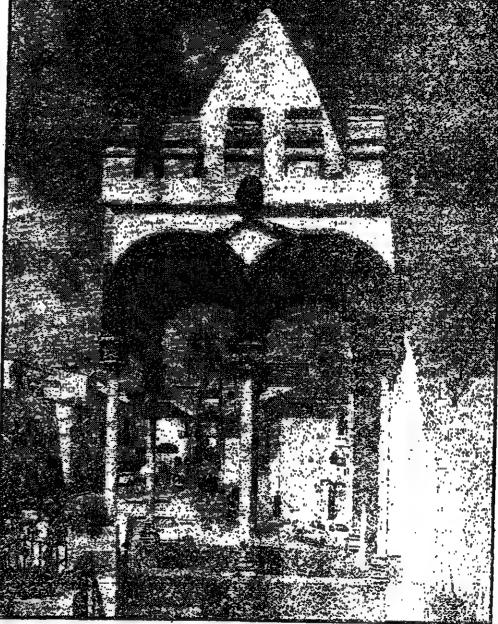
To help their analysis the Tourist Office made a sample survey by handing short questionnaires every four days to visitors arriving at all customs points. Since last September they have also used a market research firm to interview tourists at bor-ders and in hotels for their views on holidays in Portugal and how they spend their money.

The most valuable market

is represented by the Spaniards. The total of those who entered Portugal in 1981 rose by 3.5 per cent to 5,200,000, but this figure ncludes many excursionists.

"We get every kind of visitor, from the most modest family parties to the very rich who stay in our five-star hotels", said Senhor da Rocha. The total of the Spaniards who used hotels in 1981 reached more than 1,200,000, and was up over 11 per cent on 1980, But statistics giving particular pleasure to the Portuguese show that 548,000 British risitors entered the country in 1981, an increase of 13 per cent over 1980. Of these, 425,000 stayed in hotels, nearly 15 per cent more than in 1980. "Of course, your pound is very strong against our escudo, which is a great attraction to British visitors", says Senhor da Rocha.

The majority of Britons show first preference for the balmy climate with most going to the Algarve, which has the largest concentration of hotels, villas and apartments. Next preference is for Madeira, then the coastal resorts around Lisbon, with a small minority going to the northern Costa Verde.



Evora, in the Alentejo, has a fine pousada, one of the government-owned hotels and inns which are an attraction for travellers in Portugal.

The importance of the British market was empha-sized by Senhor Mario Felix, public relations director of Air Portugal, the national airline. "From this Spring we shall operate a record num-ber of 24 flights a week from Britain, and will inaugurate the first Oporto-Manchester route." Britons disgruntied for many years, and justifiably, at the absence of duty-free shops in all Portuguese airports except Lisbon, will be glad to hear that plans are advanced for them to open first at Oporto, then Faro in the Algarve and Madeira. Unfortunately the opening of these shops is not within the airline's control", said Senhor Felix.

The director-general of the Portuguese National Tourist Office in Lisbon, Senhor Cristiano da Freitas, told me: "We feel very good about prospects and expect at least a 7 per cent increase in tourism this year, and our hoteliers on the whole seem happy." The Portuguese plan to tap new markets opening an office soon in South Africa and possibly another in Japan. With a total of 160,000 hotel beds (includ-ing 11,000 in Madeira) their eventual target is a further 25,000 beds by 1986.

"Obviously we cannot, and do not wish to, compete with Spain. They have three million beds, or look to the cheaper end of the market." After the British, West Germans are the next most important tourist nationality, numbering more than 300,000 last year, which showed a small increase. Obviously the Germans take their recession more seriously than the more impoverished Britons, Hoteloften observe that they are normally less generous

spenders too, especially in the bar. The United States comes next in the league and their total of over 141,000 showed an increase of 4.6 per cent.

Britons who are faithful

and regular visitors to the Algarye are often distressed about haphazard development, too many multi-storey apartment blocks, and the failure of public services, especially water supplies, sewerage and roads to keep pace with it. Senhor de Freitas, appeared very optimistic about a new govern-ment aid plan to deal with these problems, saying: There are 70 projects on this subject on the books". On uncontrolled development, he pointed out that permission for construction of holiday apartments, unlike hotels, which must be government approved, is in the hands of local authorities, and there is so much demand for this kind of accommodation that they may permit any profitable enterprises.

#### New accent on sport

Among new promotional campaigns by the Portuguese is the curiously-named "Sportugal", which aims to attract both the highly-profitable conference market and tourists to enjoy the wide range of sporting facilities available, especially in the mild winters. Golf comes first; there are 10 world-class courses, the best being near Lisbon and in the Algarye.

Apart from tennis, sailing, river or deep-sea fishing and riding, either in the mountains or on the long sandy

beaches, they will offer wild boar hunting in the mountains of the north. One of the newest tour operators on the British market is Caravela, a subsidiary of Air Portugal whose first winter pro-gramme includes tours to the pousadas - government-owned hotels and inns, often in beautifully converted castles, palaces or monasteries and often far off the main tourist track. They start from as little as £115 including the flight, accommodation and car hire for three days, based in the north, to about £260 for 13 nights in the south. In Madeira I talked to the

retiring head of the local Ribeiro de Andrade, "We had a phenomenal rise in the number of British tourists in the last few years with a record increase of about 20 per cent in 1980, and we are rather sad that this dropped by 16 per cent last year."
Analysing it, he said: "Apart from the obvious effects of your recession we think our image in Britain needs change ing-many people expect to find Madeira full of retired colonels and elderly widows, which is not so, for of course many of our very old regular clients are dying off." So the Madeirans have launched a vigorous advertising campaien in Britain to extol more exciting holidays than the sunworshipper might expect with deep-sea fishing and mountaineering among the attractions.

I understand that the longawaited extension to the runway at Madeira's zirport is likely to be under way by the end of this year. This will take the wide-bodied jets which have been unable to

land there. Joyce Rackham

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**PORTUGAL** 

# Choppy going as revolution moves out of backwater

SOCIETY

medical services. Workers were poorly paid and were denied the right to do anything about it by forming genuine trade unions. Women had few legal rights. The vast majority of the population had no access to the vote to defend their interests. Censorship was strict in the news media and the arts. Social benefits were miserly, Only a few could afford an education, Millions of workers emigrated to of workers emigrated to northern Europe and Africa for jobs.

In today's changing Portugal rural isolation is dimin-ishing. Television has let in the outside world. With more money in their pockets, farmers are more and more inclined to travel outside their villages. But, at the same time, this outlook has made the young people seek u better life outside their villages. They crowd into the big cicies of Lisbon and Oporto looking for jobs, but jobs are scarce. Often they are forced to turn to petty crime or prostitution.

Worker's wages on the **Creativity** whole have risen by over 300 per cent in the past eight years. They are joined now in strong unions which, through strikes, have forced owners to meet their demands. New labour laws say they cannot be fired. Some tendency found their way workers are acually running onto the stands. At the same factories they took over from owners. But in spite of their prought in a wave of pre-

The rise of the dollar has nearly wrecked the economy. The cost of living has rocketed. One pound of beef costs five times its price in pre-revolutionary Portugal. Potatoes and other vegetables cost ten times what they did. There are sometimes shortages of staples like milk, making housewives stand in long queues to buy.

Constant strikes and other lossed the life of the police were forced to be less repressive, and the secret police were disbanded. This in itself was good, but it had long queues to buy.

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Portugal's political revolution of 1974 has been followed by a slowly evolving social revolution the effects of which are proving even more profound than the political ones.

Portugal had long drowsed in the social and economic backwaters of European development. Many of its rural areas had no electricity, running water, roads, or medical services. Workers were poorly paid and were were poorly paid and were were poorly paid and were wite best in the contributed to unemployment.

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new found freedom and hope that the elected government would bring about an economic and social miracle. However, eight years and 14 governments later, disilusionment with politics and politicians has set in. A large segment of the population has become apathetic or highly critical of the system— a condition which is - a condition which is disturbing to those who want to see a lasting democratic system survive in Portugal.

# A surge of

workers are acually running onto the stands. At the same factories they took over from owners. But in spite of their brought in a wave of prehigher salaries, their buying viously banned films and power has diminished. A pornography. A new mensteady 25 per cent inflation has erased their benefits.

The rise of the dollar has nearly wavefed the economy.

Wife beating is still a common phenomenon. Women—along with young people seeking their first jobs—have the greatest number of unemployed. The tight family structure that existed has somewhat broken down. The number of divorces has imcreased spectacularly.

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Were the greatest number of the working class suburb of Amadora near Lisbon was built for 1,200. It now has increased spectacularly.

When the right to vote was extended to everyone, includant arties were formed, there scarce, teachers are often absent and classes are held in halls, libraries and any other available space. Students spend their free periods in the street.

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Discipline has broken down because of this and because the authoritarian system was abandoned. system was abanconed. Schools are now run by commissions of students, teachers and administrators. "There are problems, but they are being overcome. It is an education in democ-

racy", one teacher said.

For the first time in its history Lisbon University has had to institute a rigid selection policy because of the high number of applicants. New universities have been opened in the provinces. been opened in the provinces and new schools are being built with money from the Council of Europe. It has been a problem; however, to get competent teachers to go into the hinterland. Stan-dards have had to be lowered.

Housing is the greatest-shortage. People have no money to build their own homes and the Government has none to build them for them. However, the Govern-

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lous incomes — mostly untaxed. The public health system is a shambles and is racked by corruption. For every two active workers there is one retired or an invalid. A government doctor said the ratio everywhere else was six to one. These 'invalids' collect from the Government and so on work-Government and go on working. Recent regulations have been enacted to stop the abuses, but have brought strong protests from patients and from pharmaceutical companies which also benefit

from present practices.

Another factor which has had a strong social impact was the return of nearly one million people from Portugal's former African territories. Besides the returning Portuguese there were peop-le of many races and cul-tures, who have brought new life styles. There are Indian shops, new restaurants, hamburger houses, and many new small and medium-sized industries. Small African villages have grown up around Lisbon.

According to statistics. Portugal is very poor, and unemployment is very high, and unemployment is very high, but the figures are somewhat deceptive. There is an "underground economy" providing plenty of money for a stratum of the population

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# WOMEN

# The male-dominated bastions fall

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even million voters.

Yes, women are now an openly powerful influence in Portuguese life, They have stormed the professions. They wield considerable influence in politics, and have broken down the barriers of the male-defended areas of public life. Senhora Maria de Lourdes Pintassilgo became Portugal's first woman prime minister and another barrier fell. In this century, among other outstanding pro-fessional pioneers has been the internationally famous buil fighter Conchita Cin-tron, who combined womanly grace with outstanding toughness in the arens. Later

An important labour-over-An important labour-over- was the head of the family seeing organization here, the The law was then changed Commission for Equality in Labour and Employment, recently issued an explanatory pamphlet on the 1979 law of equality for women in the labour market. It is maticled "scopen"s rights to entitled "women's rights to legally allowed to vote, while equality in work and employment". The pamphlet emphasizes the September, 1979 law on equality in work between passed the latest law against the control of the latest law against the control of the latest law against law agai ment". The pamphlet emphasizes the September, 1979 law on equality in work between men and women, which was designed to protect women from discrimination in employment on the grounds of their sex and guaranteed them access to the law courts and protection from sanc-tions if they took their cases to the courts. The com-mission defines the areas of discrimination training, sala-

discrimination training, sala-ries, promotion, general working conditions and prop-er knowledge of their legal labour rights. It also defines as illegal any refusal to employ a woman before she is married or has children, or to dismiss her if she becomes pregnant. The only employment which she may right-fully be refused is, according to the commission, "that by which her genetic function as which her genetic runction as a woman may be affected." The commission is formed of five government representatives, two of whom are

President Ramalho Eanes of chosen from the Ministry of Portugal opens his speeches Labour and two from the to the nation with the words: Women's Rights Commission,

duties.

It was calculated that in Social Democratic Party of the last Portuguese general Prime Minister, Senhor Pinto election in 1979 about 52 per cent of the votes came from women out of a total of about seven million witness. Christian Democrats have only two women members.

> The Portuguese National Assembly has a Parliamen-tary Commission on the Status of Women, but this is considered by feminists to be somewhat inactive. The same thing may be said from the feminist point of view of Portugal's county councils, for out of 305, only four of them have women presidents, and there are only six women judges in the country out of a total of 515.

In 1911 a widowed woman doctor, the head of her family, turned up at the polls and voted. Her claim was that she became a happy wife and by law only the head of the mother. by law only the head of the family could vote and she emphasizing that this applied only to the male sex. A woman head of the family still could not vote. In 1931, however, women with higher or secondary education were sex discrimination dealing with naturalization of children born both in or outside marriage.

All these improvements do not, of course, mean that the women of Portugal have total equality with men all over the land. The first battle has been won however, and women's education has been improved in concept, fitting them for the wider role the modern woman must play.

The fighting team for women's rights today is basically the Commission for Equality in Work and Em-ployment, and it provides the quiet and efficient spade work to uproot the traditional male outlook on women's role in the civilization of this century.

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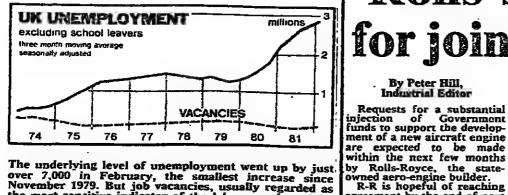
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# Business news

# **Underlying increase**



The underlying level of unemployment went up by just over 7,000 in February, the smallest increase since November 1979. But job vacancies, usually regarded as the most sensitive indicator of the labour market, show no signs of picking up. Only about a third of all jobs available are notified to employment exchanges, but there are 10 people without work for every job available.

# Third reading for Bill

The Lloyd's Bill to reform the London insurance market now has to have its third reading in the Commons after passing through the Report stage on Monday. Amendments to the so-called immunity clause were

#### Cast has 'more offers'

Mr Frank Narby, chief of the Cast shipping group, said that "further offers" have emerged for the assets the beleaguered shipping line is hoping to sell. Last Friday he announced that "a number of serious appropriate that the serious appropriate the serious appropriate that the serious appropriate that the serious appropriate the s had been received. US Lines and Thomas National Transport were among those reported to be considering a purchase. Yesterday Mr Marby said that it was "not only possible but likely" that the assets would be sold to

#### Fight for ACC may go to trial

Arrangements agreed in the Appeal Court on Monday to bring finality to the legal battle in the takeover war for Lord Grade's old group, ACC, re put in jeopardy yester-

were put in jeopardy yester-day.

The three Appeal judges hearing the case, in which Gerald Ronson's Heron Cor-poration and other ACC shareholders have been seek-ing to block Mr Robert Holmes a'Court's E36m take-over of ACC, granted a short adjournment for both sides to proposider their position. reconsider their position.

Lord Justice Lawton said the "stark reality" was that

the case might have to go to a full trial after all.

#### Shipping order Shipyards on Humberside and

Tyneside have beaten off strong competition to win orders for two 1,000-tonne anchor handling supply vessels from Zapata Offshore Services of Great Yarmouth. The contract is thought to be

Sir Kenneth Cork, senior partner in Cork, Gully & Co, has rejoined the board of the Ladbroke Group as a non-executive director. He resigned in 1978 following his election as Lord Mayor of election as Lord Mayor of

 The Stock Market flotation of Fleet Holdings — the publishing interests of Trafal-gar House which includes gar notice which includes Express Newspapers — as a separate company has been delayed for at least three weeks. The delay is said to have been caused by "techni-cal difficulties".

The Government is to draw up a new list of approved microcomputer suppliers this year. The chosen companies will share out a market that is worth £10m a year already, and expanding rapidly.

• The Lee Cooper Group is to close its manufacturing plant at Harold Hill, Essex, and its Brentwood pressing plant by May 7, making 239 redundant, of whom 30 per cent are part-time.

100,000 Montague Meyer on

offer at 68p and 200,000 Grand

Metropolitan at 199p.
Ductile Steels was up 7p to 124p
ahead of figures due shortly.
There was a buyer of a small

There was a buyer of a smell amount of stock, but it was not Caparo Industries, which holds 18 per cent of the equity and has been tipped as a likely bidder.

Mechanical and civil engineering group Braby Lestle was also in demand amid bid rumours. Starwest Investment Holdings

has a 14.5 per cent stake most of which it acquired from ICFC last

year, while another 6 per cent stake was bought last week by

News that Mr Slater and his associates had sold a large slice of their shares in the Bettast-based property group Laganvale Estate gave a 44p bost to the shares at 33p. Rhone Trust pald 24p. a phone for a 20 page root.

shares at 339. Knone Trust paid 34p a share for a 20 per cent stake, with investment clients of brokers Henry Cooke, Lumsden & Co paying the same price for a further 9.9 per cent, his leaves Mr Slater and his associates controlling 8.9 per cent.

In the wake of the Euroflan

to suffer has been Willaire Systems, Also brought to the market by Tring Hall Securities, which eased 2p to 12p.

Growing pressure to cut the price of North Sea oil in a effort

to end the world glut continues to depress oil shares, with Berkeley Exploration down 22p to 307p

Equity turnover on February 22 was £126.842m (15,041 bar-

and Shell 6p easier at 350p.

nsion, another USM stock

# **MARKET SUMMARY**

# 13 point slump surprise

# LONDON EXCHANGE

FT Index 559.0 down 9.2 FT Gitts 66.80 down 0.34 FT all share 324.67 down

**Bargains 21.567** 

The 13 point alump on Walt Street overnight came as an unwelcome surprise to the stock market after the previous day's ins, and both equities and di drifted lower, with the FT Index at

the close down 9.2 at 559.0.
Falls in leading shares ranged from 2p to 8p with ICI shedding 4p to 332p reflecting adverse comment ahead of Thursday's figures. But against the market trend Plessey put on 1p to 366p ahead of Thursday's third quarter

figures.

Gitts had a quieter day with profit taking clipping £¼ from long dates and £½ from mediums. Shorts opened at the previous night's close but ended with losses of £¼.

Electricals had GEC at 827p and Thorn EMI 475p both shedding 100.

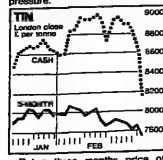
shedding 10p. ince sector was one

of the few bright spots, stimulated by Commercial Union, up 12p at 144p after much better than expected profits but a 20 per cent earnings rise failed to help Natwest which slipped 7p to

Engineering group Dowly shed 1p to 116p after 1.5m shares in two lots were placed in the market at 115p, showing the underlying strength of the market. Elsewhere there were lines of

# COMMODITIES

Cash tin prices dived by £440 a tonne yesterday to £8,165 as the buyer who has recently been so influential in the market pended operations. Recent physi-cal shipments also eased the



But a three months price of £7,752, down £95, meant that the backwardation which has been a persistent feature of the market is still over £400 a tonne. heavy borrowing, one company borrowing 2,000 lonnes of metal.

# TODAY

Board meetings : Half-yearty: BPM Holdings, British Asse's, Crosstriars Trust, Eleco Holdings, Harrisons Malaysian Estates, Johnson Matthey (9 months), Wedgwood (39 week figures). Finals: Carrington Vivella, Child Health Research Investment, Hoover, Marchwiel, Moorside Trust, NCR, Rights and Issues Investment Trust.

# agreement by the end of next month with either Pratt and Whitney or General Electric, its principal American rivals, to participate the joint ven-ture which the British com-

ture which the British company has established with three large Japanes groups for the development of the RJ 500 engine.

This fuel-efficient enigne, on which the existing partners have already spent £40m, is designed to power the aircraft industry's planned 150-seat airliner.

By Peter Hill, Industrial Editor

Testing of the first of the RJ 500 engines has now begun. The Japanese part-ners will begin testing their first engine in the next few

The size of the funds to be sought from the Government will turn on whether or not there is American involvement, and also on agreement on the shares which each of the partners will hold in the consortium. Funds, if pro-vided will take the form of launching sid, on which R-R will pay royalties to the Government from future

By John Whitmore

banks cut their prime lending rates from 17 to 16½ per cent

yesterday. But at the same time Federal Reserve chair-man Mr Paul Volcker urged caution over this week's

sharp drop in money market interest rates and once again warned of potential problems

Mr Volcker told the Con-

gressional Ways and Means

Committee that appropriate restraint on the expansion of money and credit continued to be fundamental to restor-

ing price stability.

Although he felt the improving trend in price inflation meant that the pre-

sent year monetary targets

ouid accommodate a bus

ness recovery later this year, he reiterated the need for reducing the Federal deficit

He warned that the Federal

deficit could reach \$150,000m

in 1983, more than 50 per cent higher than the Admin-

istration has predicted.
On the short term situation, Mr Volcker said he

would not over-interpret one week's money supply figures. These had showed a larger than expected fall when

announced last Friday.
The City was inclined to take a similar view yesterday.

After Monday's euphoria, encouraged by the Bank of England's reduction in its

money market intervention

rates, markets decided to

pause for breath.
Although the Bank has

been pointing the way to a further cut in the general

level of interest rates, it

remains to be seen whether the commercial banks are

prepared to move until they have seen a further set of

United States money supply

Domestic money markets should show an easier trend

into the system from the repayment of funds to unsuc-

Two loss-making state-

owned companies, British Leyland and the British Steel Corporation, are involved an an argument over prices.

BL is opposing price in-creases introduced from October by the BSC as part of a Europe-wide move by

steelmakers to lift prices to restore the EEC steel indusry

to profitability.
It is scouring the world in

search of alternative, cheaper steel supplies. BL is a major customer for BSC's sheet-

steel output with the bulk of

its supplies produced by the south Wales plants at Fort Talbot and Llanwern. About 15 per cent of the corpor-ation's sheet steel is taken by

BL for its 500,000 cars a

Coordinated by the EEC Commission, European steel-

makers introduced a 121/2 per cent across-the-board average

increase on a wide range of

products at the beginning of

this year. Prices are sched-uled to rise by a further 4½ per cent by this summer.

Community have expressed

their concern at the steep rise in their basic raw material arguing that amid

the continuing recession they

Steel users throughout the

figures.

in 1983.

Most leading United States

# JOINT VENTURES

Rolls seeks state aid

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Existing aero-engine link-ups include: Rolls-Royce joint venture with Ishikawajima-Karima Heavy Industries and Kawasaki Heavy Industries on the RJ-

General Electric col-laborative deal with France's Snecma for development of CFM-56 engine for 150-seater.

Rolls-Royce, Motoren und Turbinen Union of West Germany and Fiat Aviazone of Italy engaged in collaborative development of RB-199 for Tornado multi-role combat aircraft.

The new engine could be fitted to the proposed new A 320 manufactured by Airbus Industrie in which British Aerospace has a 20 per cent stake. Another likely customer is America's Boering, expected to launch a rival to the A 320.

It is Rolls-Royce's belief that multinational joint ven-tures are the only way in which the engine builders can surmount the enormous costs involved. A new civil engine development pro-

3 mth INTEREST

cessful applicants for the

remains that base rates may well be cut to 13% per cent

during the next few days,

lower trend reflects both the fall in United Kingdom interest rates and the con-tinuing weakness of the oil

price.

Markets will be particularly keen to see how other

European countries pursue their interest rates now that

the EMS realignment is out

of the way. Government securities los

up to 75p of their £2 plus gains of Monday as profit-takers stepped in. Equities lost ground in sympathy with Wall Street, the FT index

closing 9.2 lower at 559.

reflation call

should show an easier trend reflate the economy, say over the next couple of days economists at the City as funds start to flow back University Banking Centre

**Economists oppose** 

The Government should stick to its monetarist guns

and resist the temptation to

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RATES.

Volcker warning as

**US** prime rates slip

Mr Ralph Robbins, R-R's commercial director, said of the talks with the two the talks with the two American companies yester-day: "Negotiations are con-tinuing. The object is to achieve a situation where by the end of March, we have taken a decision to introduce a third partner".

He continued: "With new engine development costs of between \$1,500m and \$2,000m, it is getting beyond the resources of a single, manufacturer to take on a new programme on its own".

R-R, in its long-term forecasts, hopes to secure orders for an estimated 5,000 engines over the next 25 years for the RJ 500 series and its family of RB 211 designs.

Mr Norman Lamont, Minister for Industry will later today be questioned by the Select Committee on Industry and Trade about the financing of R-R, which was taken into state ownership 11 years ago following its col-

After four years of losses and a £50m cash injection from the Government last year, the company is forecasting a profit next year. It has shed 6,000 jobs over the past 15 months and is planning a similar further reduction, mainly through voluntary redundancy, dur-ing 1982.

# |Oil industry forecasts \$28 barrel

Official world oil prices are likely to fall even if Saudi Arabia bows to pressure from its fellow members of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries and cuts back its production, some international oil com-

be surprised to see the average price of crude oil fall the authorities will not want from about \$33 a barrel now to \$28 or even to \$25 a barrel in the face of the present oil to see interest rates falling any farther just yet. In particular, the authorities will be watching the performance of sterling. Yesterday, the pound fell 1% cents to \$1.8315 and its index against a basket of currencies by 0.2 to 91.2. The glut and persistent downward pressure on oil prices.

mation last night Opec would be holding an emergency meeting to discuss ways of stopping prices falling, despite pressure from several of the organization's 13 members.

price structure was howeve confirmed by one of its customers, the Italian Statebacked oil corporation Agip. Oil companies expect that British National Oil Corpor-ation will have to concede a further cut in North Sea oil prices when second quarter

contracts come up for negotiation in the next two to three weeks. A \$2 a barrel cut would cost the Government another £400m a year în lost revenue.

BNOC will retain the right to attend North Sea field operating committees after its exploration and proits exploration and pro-duction interests are priva-tized. The Government says Business Editor, page 22 this will help BNOC to trade efficiently.

panies now believe.
Sources close to Aramco,
the consortium of four
American oil majors which
lifts nearly all Saudi Arabian crude production, said yes-terday that Saudi Arabian output cuts will almost cer-tainly not, be enough to defend the official Opec pricing structure—based on a \$34 a barrel bench mar-k— from being eroded. Some companies would not

Iran's decision to cut its oil price by another \$2 a barrel in breach of the official Opec better than expected after the

Insurers generally have had a very difficult year because of the recession,

# for joint engine project = Chairman Robin Leigh-Pemberton (seated William Benson): Lower bad debts in 1981.

# Another bank record as NatWest makes £494m

By Peter Wilson-Smith, Banking Correspondent

National Westminster became the second of the big chairman, said that recovclearing banks to report record profits for 1981. High and companies were Yesterday it announced and surviving the recession better 184m rise to profits of £49m before tax and a 20 per cent rise in shareholders' dividends to 36p gross.

Last week Lloyds Bank

also announced best ever profits, up by a third to £386m, and an even bigger rise in dividends. Although there has been no sign that the Government plans another windfall profits tax, the high profits being reported by the banks are likely to provoke controversy and may influence the outcome of the current round of pay talks.
Yesterday the Federation
of London Clearing Banks

raised its pay offer to 180,000 clerical staff by 1 per cent to 8½ per cent in response to the original claim of 15 per cent. The federation emphasized that this was its final offer.

Much lower bad debt provisions, paricularly in the parent bank, were the main reason for National Westminster's profit rise. Mr earnings.

surviving the recession better than expected. A breakdown of profit

before loan stock interest showed domestic profits up from £258m to £314, and the international side up from £155m to £172m. Higher profits from Lombard North Central boosted profits from related services from E32m to £70m. Group net interest income rose by only 9 per cent in 1981, partly reflecting lower interest rates but higher commissions and exxchange earnings boost non-interest income by 29 per cent.

owns 51 per cent of Grindlays Bank yesterday reported pretax profits up from £33.5m to £34.6m and an unchanged dividend. Attributable profits fell from £7.4m to £5.3m, after minorities and a high tax charge reflecting Grindlays' shortage of United Kingdom to formal fo

• Grindlays Holdings which

# Erna Low travel group stops trading By Rupert Morris

Erna Low, the travel com-pany which pioneered family skiing holidays after the second world war, ceased trading vesterday. It went into voluntary liquidation after the Civil Avaition Auth-ority refused it an operating

The licence was withheld because the CAA was "no longer satisfied as to the company's financial arrange-

nents".
About 300 clients on holiday with the firm in Austria, Switzerland and France will be able to complete their stay and fly home on other aircraft. A further 800 who had booked up will be able to get their money back. The Association of British Travel Agents said yesterday: "If we can do it for Laker, we can do it for them."

Miss Erna Low, the Austrian-born sportswomen who gave her name to the company, sold it in 1971, bought it back after liquidation in 1975, solu it again in 1979, and left the company in 1980. She con-tinues in business as a travel

Consultant.

The company specialized in low-price family winter holidays, with a coach package at 655 for a week and return flight packages from £97 a week upwards.

week upwards.

News of its demise was greeted with surprise in the travel business, where Erna Low had established a reputation for reliability and value. Some sources expressed the view that the CAA was being more than usually rigorous in the light of the collapse of Sir Freddie Laker's empire. Laker's empire. Apart from reassuring clients that their money would be secured by their ABTA bond, Mr John Ran-

kin, an Erna Low director, was reluctant to explain the firm's collapse. He would not even say how many employees the company had, although it is unlikely to be much more than 20.

Erna Low has taken between 11,000 and 14,000 holidaymakers a year to Alpine resorts, flying from Gatwick, Heathrow and Manchester.

conference organizers.

# Commercial Union profits fall

where the competition has been even stiffer.

Overall CU loss from underwriting insurance business soared from £57.3m to £131.9m, with the United States contributing the largest proportion — £85.6 — of this total

A tough year for insurance markets has led to a sharp drop in profits at Commercial Union, Britain's second largest composite insurance

Pre-tax profits fell 21 per cent\_to\_£81.7m\_despite\_a sizable increase in premium income from £1,172m to £1,515m. The results were rather

26 per cent decline at the nine month stage, and helped by a near 10 per cent rise in the group's dividend to shareholders, the shares gained 11p, rising to 143p.

Elsewhere it was almost as bad, with Canada's under-writing loss doubling to £23m despite an increase in rates have of more than 30 per cent. year Losses in Britain rose from ssion, £2.3m to £5.5, with the bad

high interest rates and in-weather in December costing tense competition in in-CU £5m, and indications so surance markets, and CU has been hit relatively hard because of its growth strat-egy in the United States, far that the January deficit will be even higher.

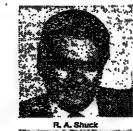
will be even higher.

The underwriting loss was covered by investment income, which rose 34 per cent to £201m, helped by a move into high interest bonds in the United States.

Mr Jack Emms, the retiring chief general manager of CU, said yesterday that the United States had shown some improvement in the

some improvement in the final quarter, particularly in the important workers' compensation lines, but he doubted if the group could continue to go against the market trend in 1982. The right medicine, page 20

this total.



# Pre-tax profits of £2.20m exceed forecast

# Highlights from the Chairman's Statement:

- \* Our first year as a public company has been eventful with much progress made in the formation and development of the Group and in the achievement of our defined objectives to increase earnings and net asset
- \* Pre-tax profits at £2,276,000 compare with a forecast of £1,6m.
- \* Earnings per share 10.6p.
- \* The proposed dividend of 3.3p per share to be paid (inclusive of associated tax credit) would be equivalent, on the basis of a full year, to 5.6p per share.
- \* With work in hand and the quality of our secured property projects, we expect an earnings advance during the current year and the future of the Group is viewed with confidence.

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- MANSTON DEVELOPMENT GROUP LTD. - ESPLEY-TYAS OVERSEAS LTD. Copies of the Report & Accounts containing the Chairman's Statement in full and a review of the Group's activities are available from:-

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RESULTS: Jai - C35c

# State group seeks cheap foreign supplies BL fights steel price rise

# OTHER EXCHANGES

Gareth David

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 7,714.56 down 43.0 Hongkong; Hang Seng Index 1,255.33 down 21.69

# CURRENCIES

6 The dollar rose sharply follow-ing yesterday's remarks by the Fed chairman reiterating the need for tight money policies. The pound closed near the day's lows.

LONDON CLOSE Sterling \$1.8315 down 175 points Index 91.2 down 0.2 DM 4.3450 Fr.F 11.0450 Yen 428.00 Dollar Index 112.5 up 0.8

#### \$361.50 down \$4 ROKEY KARKETS

DM 2.3725 up 240 pts

Gold

Rates were steadier. The Bank bought £146m of bills outright and £422m for repurchase by the houses on Thursday. The forecast shortage was finally put at

Demostic rates: Base rates 14% 3-month interbank 143-1-1411s Euro-currency rates: 3-month dollar 141116-141516 3-month DM 1016-10 3-month F:F 15%-15%



Sir Michael: annoyed at cartel operations.

higher costs through in-creased prices. So far the new price lists been accepted but the producers recongnize that this could be upset. It are very concerned that BSC appears that members of the is pressing for these increascartel formed by the Euro- es when our other major pean integrated steelmakers suppliers have held their have so far not broken ranks prices or are increasing them in agreeing to supply BL.



Sir Michael Edwardes, the

the operation of the steel-makers' cartel. He recently told MPs: "We find it incredible that such a course of action should be regarded as a viable road for the longas a viable road for the long-term recovery of the steel industry, given that it in-volves a complete suspension of market forces, a collusive of market forces, a contisive agreement to put up prices by upwards of 20 per cent in a depressed market, and blanket protection against cut-price imports." This week, Labour MPs urged the Government to encourage BL to buy British steel. BSC is apparently continuing to invoice BL but

at the new prices. BL last night confirmed that it was discussing with BSC, whose chairman, Mr lan MacGregor is a former BL board member, the extent of the increases while at the same time seeking to place contracts with producers outside Europe.

the car-maker claims not to have so far received any bills

only marginally".

A BL spokesman said: "We

will find it is virtually BL chairman, has already MacGregor's money search, impossible to recoup their made clear his annoyance at page 21

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# Rewards of aggression ... attractions of property

# The right medicine for CU

Commercial Union, the sick man of the composite insurers for so long, saw some colour return to its cheeks yesterday with a stronger than expected final quarter (Ronald Pullen writes).

Against market expectations pitched at least £10m lower, CU managed to contain the drop in pre-tax profits to 21 per cent at £81.7m. Coupled with a near 10 per cent rise in the dividend to 16.9p gross — albeit only 1.3 times covered on a normal tax charge the shares jumped 11p to 143p, where the yield of just over 11 per cent is a good 3 points higher than the sector average. This cannot harm the board's ammunition should a predator ever decide to

For shareholders, however, the key is whether the strongish final quarter in the United States above all the other territories is a vindication that the aggressive American strategy is beginning to pay off. Pointing to the steadily declining expense ratio in the United States through the year and an improvement in the operating ratio to 104 per cent in the final quarter, CU evidently believes its transatiantic trials are over the worst.

Overall, however, the United States is producing the heaviest underwriting loss at £85.6m in 1981, up from 1980's £31.8m, followed by Canada's £23m loss, which even after higher investment income still translates into an overall deficit of £7m and £9m respectively. Despite a 12 per cent gain in premium income, the recession and tough competition in the United Kingdom has more than doubled the underwriting loss to £5.5m with the bad weather last December costing the group

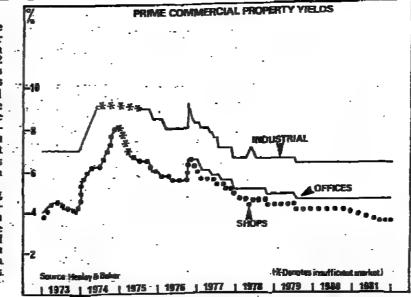
For the current year, the 34 per cent jump in investment income is unlikely to be repeated following the shift from deep discount to high income United States bonds high income United States bonds last year and possibly lower interest rates. Commercial Union cannot contine to go against the market trend indefinitely in the United States although there is still plenty to be done on commercial lines and there appears to have been a marked shift towards lower profitability in the proviously lucrative United Kingdom market.

# Estate agents go West

North America's increasing attractiveness to property investors has tempted merchant bankers Robert Fleming to launch its own American Property Unit Trust which is expected to get Department

Prime property yields have levelled off over the past year and are expected to remain depressed for the coming 12 months. Most property experts believe that the vast resources of cash-rich institutions will continue overhanging the market while large prime investments are in short supply. Any short term slow down in rental growths is not discouraging fund managers from actively investing in United Kingdom property.

Although an increasing number of investors is acquiring properties in North
America over the past three
years this has had minimal
impact on the United Kingdom
market despite the recession and more attractive yields



of Trade approval in April (Baron Phillips writes.)
According to Mr John Newman who manages the bank's United who manages the bank's United Kingdom property unit trust, the move has little to do with the existing low yields here, but a willingness on the part of pension funds to regard the American property market as a suitable incomment medium.

This latest venture is being jointly managed by Floring and Connective

managed by Fleming and Connecti-cut General Mortgage, the United States insurance company which has been involved heavily in property

investment over the past decade.
Retained valuers for the fund will be the New York office of the United Kingdom chartered surveyors Jones Lang Wootton.
The trust expects to attract around \$20m of pension fund cash and by the end of this year Robert Fleming hopes the fund will reach about \$40m. Initially, investment will be made in small to medium-sized office buildings although Connecticut General is experienced in development funding. Irrespective of how difficult it is to find suitable property in the

increasing tendency for investors to cross the Atlantic where gross returns are in the 8%-9% per cent range, some four points higher than at home.

Many pension funds, notably the Coal Board, have already established significant North American prop-erty portfolios. The unit trust allows smaller pension funds to spread their cash into more higher yielding investments without consuming vast

# Arabs in the Euromarket

It is almost a decade since the explosion in oil prices, but only now are Arab banks beginning to make their mark on the Euromarkets (Michael Prest writes). Last year Arab banks and other financial institutions were lead managers to syndicated loans worth \$10,600m, or about 9 per cent of Euromarket operations. This year is likely to see their

share increase further. What was easily overlooked in the mid-1970s was that there were hardly any Arab banks. The only private Arab bank of distinction was the astute and conservative Arab Bank, based in Jordan. The other major banks were the state-owned Egyptian ones with a domestic orientation. The Kuwaitis were still newcomers. Anybody who suggested that Bahrain might grow into an important financial centre would have been con-

sidered eccentric.
As recently as 1979 Arab banks' share of Euromarket business was a mere 1.6 per cent. In 1980 it rose a mere 1.6 per cent. In 1980 it rose to 5 per cent. What caused the rapid expansion last year was primarily the entry into the market of new institutions, notably the Arab Banking Corporation, based in Bahrain and capitalized at \$1,000m.

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The French Government has had to abandon its plans to nationalize the French pharmaceuticals firm, Roussel-Uclaf, after the refusal of its German parent company Hoechst, to give up its majority control. The government is reported to have ment is reported to have agreed initially to a blocking stake of only 34 per cent, against the German group's 57.5, but the state holding could subsequently rise to 49 and then 50 per cent.

Mr Zenko Suzuki, the Japanese Prime Minister, said that Bills now before The United States Congress calling for reciprocity could draw retaliatory measures from other countries and worsen the world trade situation. He added that the world economy needed to be reactivated. He would like to see trade imbalances corrected by expansion, rather than reduction, of imports and exports.

W GERMANY

Provisional January trade and current account figures show that Germany is on target to achieve the balanced 1982 current account forecast earlier this month by the Bundesbank. The combined December and January current account revealed a small surplus on a seasonally adjusted basis.

#### ITALY

Aifa Romeo has reached agreement with the unions to lay off between 5,500 and 6,000 employees until March 1983. The lay-offs are in addition to workers on the

New concessions from its unions, requested by Pan American World Airways, could result in an operating profit for the airline by the third quarter of this year, Mr C. Edward Acker, chairman, said. He declined to detail the the unions.

#### BIDS AND DEALS

Thomas Tilling in its first major investment in West Germany, is extending its activities into the field of electronic money handling, control and measurement equipment with the purchase of the Ads Anker G.M.B.H. and its associated sales companies in Germany based in Bielefeld, Westphalia, for a cash consideration of DM33m. For the year 1980, Anker's sales amounted to DM105m and profits before tax totalled DM10m with home sales of DM81m. Anker is the leading producer of its type of products in West Germany and provides market support through network. Exports, amounting to DM24m were sold throughout the world but principally in Europe with the United Kingdom as the largest market after West Germ-

Anker has been in the forefront of the transition from electro-mechanical to electronic tech-nologies and the present manage-ment team which has guided the company through the change will continue to operate and develop

Mr Peter H. Ryan, a director of Tilling, will be appointed chairman of the company. The acquisition provides a significant opportunity for Tilling to extend its international development in Europe and enter a high technology business with a strong market position in Germany and considerable potential in other countries. Drayton Commercial investment board proposes that existing policy of oversees specialization should be intensified by raising overseas content of Trust's portfolio to 100 per cent of net assets in Jensen B le elsen proposed to Mr Peter H. Ryan, a director of

ment board proposes that existing policy of oversees specialization should be intensified by raising overseas content of Trust's portoile to 100 per cent and by investing 70 per cent of net assets in Japan. It is also proposed to change name of the trust to Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds This table is published on Wednesday and Saturday

# demand paricularly for the group's Drayton Japan Trust. If the Middlesex, from the receivers and more sophisticated lines. Drayton Japan Trust. If the Middlesex, from the receivers and managers for £41,500. proposal is approved at its annual meeting in March, policy should largely be carried out by December 31 and completed not later

than March 3, 1983.

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#### INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES

Alczo NV, the Dutch chemical and fibres group, had profits of guilders 239m (£62m) for 1981. against a loss of guides 70m in 1980. The group is proposing a two-guilder dividend for 1981. It pessed a dividend a year earlier. The group realized a net extraordinary gain of guilders 14m, largely due to sale of assets,

Sales rose 16 per cent to guilders 14,460m, in 1981, 13 per cent of which was due to price increases including the effects of a higher United States dollar, while sales volume rose 3 per cent. of man-made fibres

Losses on West European synthetic textile and carpet fibres declined in the year but were still considerable, the company said.

# Operations of Akzo's chemical products and coatings, pharmaceutical, consumer and other products generally performed

Investments totalled guilders 680m against 645m in 1980. 580m against 645m in 1980. Alzo's total workforce fell by 5,300 to 77,800 last year. More than half of this was related to its fibre plants, it said.

Franco Viezzolt said. Results for 1981 are not yet available, but in 1980 Aeritalia owed a loss of 4,300m lire

(£1.86m),
Aeritalia is involved in a joint venture with British and West German companies to build a military aircraft, the Tornado it also collaborates with Boeing and McDonnel Douglas of the United States and the south American

Aeritalia, the aerospace unit of Ray's in-Firmscanica state engineering group, expects a modest profit in 1982 thanks largely to the strength of foreign orders, Firmscanica chairman France Viewolf and

Fried Krupp, the West German steel and heavy industrial group, is forming a subsidiary in the United States to take over two engineering companies held by Salem Corporation of the United States, effective from mid-March, Krupp appropried.

announced.

The new company, Krupp Wilputte, will have a staff of about 100 and one of its major activities will be in the United States coke, coal and petrochemical markets. NEW Holdings of Australia, which last month reported its first trading loss since 1936, will make a rights issue to raise a \$125.80m (£73m) from shareholders.

It will issue about 55.80 million theres at a \$2.25 and to a second line.

shares at a \$2.25 each on a onefor-eight basis.
Funds will provide general working capital to finance further development schemes. development schemes.

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# PEOPLE . Girls cut a dash in overalls

There was an unlikely fashion show in Mayfair vesterday when Laurie Quick presented his Just Women collection. Quick comes from neither London, Paris or Rome but from Henley-on-Thames, where he is manag-ing director of an industrial clothing hire group called Spring Grove Services.

So far, Quick has specia-lized in overalls for men. Yesterday, however, he was showing off not only overalls for women but skirts, dresses and tabards for the working girl albeit mostly in shades of

that boyish colour, blue.

But even Quick quailed at the idea of designing the clothes himself: for that he called in an all-girl team headed by his main supplier. Heather Ridgeway, managing director of Wessex Textiles

Quick says his market ers are more likely than men to welcome uniform, since it irons out that daily problem of what to wear for work.

Hurry! Hurry! Brokers Savo-ry Milln still have a few seats for clients who have nothing better to do on Budget day than attend their teach-in on insurance at the Barber Surgeon's Hall just off London Wall. Apart from ex-Royal Insurance partner Brian Cordrey, Savory will field Mark Weinberg of Hambros Life, Mike Brown of the Company Pensions Infor-mation Centre, and Tony Ratcliffe of Eagle Star. The first speaker will be on his feet at 10am. Savory started feet at 10am. Savory started the past the corporation's specializing in insurance bestimates and forecasts will fore anyone else — in 1918 turn out to be wrong. and want once again to be

#### Insurance man's double life



For someone who is paid to be both silent and eloquent, Clifford Bowen Jones is enjoying a most voluble A part-time professional actor and full-time insurance representative, he has just become the first national Quality Award for outstanding sales success from the American-based Life Insurance Marketing and Research Association.

With business worth about £8m, and more than 3,000 clients, he has written more policies than anyone else in the 111-year history of the Confederation Life Insurance

Company.

In his early 60s, CB has also played as surgeon, councillor and other upstanding citizens in television scrials such as Muck and Brass and Crossroads. He says: "Appearance and man-ner count in both jobs . . ".

Hurd-pressed managers no ionger find the time to attend residential courses. But Henley, The Management College, as it describes itself, has come up with an answer. Using texts, video and audio cas-settes, the college is launching c home study management training scheme to degree



Believe me Mrs Wilson don't like the proposed gas final demand out again won'

Peter Wainwright

# APPOINTMENTS

Mr S. H. Alfert has been appointed chief executive of Gresham Life Assurance Society and AMEV Kife Assurance with effect from April 1. He with succeed Mr J. S. Leighton who

will relinquish his executive

duties. Mr Leighton will remain

on the boards of both compa-Mr Roger T. Einthirst has. been appointed deputy manag-ing director of Charterhouse Corporate Investments, which is responsible for the Charterhouse Group's wholly-owned investAmerican action could upset steel industry finances

# Will Mr MacGregor come back for more money?

realism of the British Steel Corporation's objective of breaking even by the end of the 1982-83 financial year.

Conservative back-benchers are once again expressing anxiety about the corporation's ability to achieve the objectives set by its chairman, Mr lan MacGregor (and on which his controvership) on which his controversial transfer payment worth potentially £1.8m will be partially based.) That is to say that Mr MacGregor will be knocking on Mr Jenkin's door asking for yet more money to keep the corporation going

ation going.
While Mr Jenkin and his back-bench colleagues may have reservations about BSC's ability to shake off its reputation for being the largest single recipient of state cash, there is a strong belief among the higher echelons of the corporation that the target can be

attained.
What is worrying the backbenchers, and by inference Mr Jenkin (who is anxious to reduce the Department of Industry's disbursements to public sector corporations in order to concentrate more on priming the industries of the future) is that as so often in

It has to be said that under Mr MacGregor's guidance the BSC has made quite dramatic strides. The slimming that was identified by his predecessor, Sir Charles Villiers as vitally necessary, has been carried through to a considerable degree.

The corporation's top streamlined, management ful to warn ministers that he and men have been motivated would claim the right to to a degree which less than modify the forecasts and three years ago would have objectives in the light of been thought impossible been thought impossible, changed circumstances. For Productivity has risen dramatically — Llanwern is a mitted at a time when shining example — to compare favourable with some of the best in Europe — and dumping suits against shipquality, delivery and confiments of European steel to dence have improved out of the American market. dence have improved out of the American market all recognition. MacGregor It was also some was issued with a challenge. all recognition. MacGregor It was also some weeks in was issued with a challenge, advance of the onset of He accepted it and the results so far have been very encouraging.

All the improvements have

All the improvements have been secured at a time of crisis for the steel industry crisis for the steel industry Mr Jenkin pondered the in Europe. The continent has report against the backbeen replets with surplus ground of considerable unsteel and competition for certainty as to whether the

times even overtly encour-aged through Government subsidies by virtually every EEC member state.

By any standards the performance of the BSC in transforming itself — albeit with massive transfusions from the Exchequer, has

been remarkable.
Throughout this critical period Mr MacGregor has said that it is his intention to maintain the present plant configuration and to stabilise capacity at around 14.4m The BSC chairman has

continued to exude a cau-tious optimism that the targets will be met, that when he leaves the corporation — in its slimmed-down form aided by some privatisation

it will be in a much more
robust state than when he
joined. But being a canny
Scot and a shrewd politician, Scot and a shrewd politician, he has been careful in his dealings with Whitehall to

What is worrying the Government is that as so often in the past the Corporation's estimate and forecasts will turn out to be wrong?

ast most. When he submitted his

corporate plan for 1982-83 last December, he was care-

before the recent rail strikes.

Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary business has been cut-throat, of price increases of State for Industry was leading to outrageous price throughout Europe, co-ordinated less than bullish cutting, covertly and some nated by the EEC Commission and due to be was questioned about the aged through Government introduced at the begining of this was would be accepted. round or price increases throughout Europe, co-ordinated by the REC Commission and due to be introduced at the beginning of this year, would be accepted by consumers

by consumers.
So far, with some exceptions, and despite a prodictable outcry from the steel industry's customers, the new price lists have held up in the market place. in the market place.

But can the price regime continue to hold and to what extent is it likely to be-undermined by the action taken by the Resgan Admin-istration to curb European steel imports? The two are inextricably linked. Even without all the imponderables and uncertainties there had been a for 1982-83. In its anxiety to curb the public sector borrowing requirement, Government in its Paper on public spending fixed a provisional External Financing Limit (EPL) for the BSC of £350m for the

financial performance (first half losses in 1981-82 down to 196m pre-tax, compared with a thumping deficit for 1980-81 of £665m), Mr Mac-Gregor's plan was pitching for £70m-£80m above that level. Since then circumstances have indeed changed.

For a start the American steelmakers have filed their legal suits and earlier this the International Trade Commission (ITC) decided that it would go ahead with 38 out of 92 unfair pricing unfair pricing cases which had been filed against European producers in nine countries. Six of them are against Britain.

Despite the improvement in

In the financial year which ends next month, the BSC expects to ship between 300,000 and 400,000 tonnes of steel to American customers and the hope for next year was that this year's level could be boosted by at least a further 100,000 tonnes. The commission is still locked in a diplomatic battle with the American authorities: it says that it is the EEC's intention to force the USA to stick to the principles of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade insolving the steel

spute. But the effect of the ITC secision to go ahead with its investigations coupled with the impact of the bad weather has Mr MacGregor and his cohorts carrying out



Mr lan MacGregor; a canny Scot who keeps his options open

corporation will be seeking rather more than the disputed £70m to £80m above the provisional EPL when it submits its request within the next few weeks. Above all Mr MacGregor believes that it is vital that the BSC maintains a respectable level of capital investment to ensure quality and efficiency.

But it is the uncertainty over the future of the co-ordinated price movement in Europe which casts a particularly dark shadow over the BSC's hopes and aspirations. On the basis of the assessments made so far, the corporation calculates that American curbs could affect about 20 per cent of its exports to the United States. That is worrying but not

The much bigger worry is that American curbs could shut out around 2 million tonnes of European steel which would be looking for a wanth would be tooking for a market. The fear is that European eyes would once more be directed across the Chainel to British customers.

So where does that put the cartel's commitment to co-ordinate price increases under a regime of Com-mission-imposed quotas on

plans drawn up and submitted to the Government three
months ago.

members of Euroter, winch
effectively form a producers'
cartel, have agreed that it will
be essential to maintain the club for at least two more years' beyond the present expiry date this July. So far the pact does not however have the approval of the state-owned sector of the Italian steel industry.

At the present the Italians, are witholding their support. Other EEC steel producers whose national governments may for political reasons decide that it may be judicial to truncate Dumas. Three Musketeers pledge to a more simple "all for one" although the member governments are committed to a phased programme of removing all steel industry state aids and subventions.

There is edginess in the steel market. There are reports that price-cutting is taking place with one large Eurofer steelmaker alleged to be offering a derivative of wire rod at 20 per cent below the official price.

The price regime remains precariously balanced. If it topples it will throw the market into confusion and it is the market which will largely determine BSC's fur-ther progress towards its financial goals.

Peter Hill

# **Business Editor** Critical days for tin market

taken by the anthorities of the London Metal Exchange to avert a possible crisis on the tin market have been successful. Traders have been holding their breath as the mysterious buyer stays his hand and allows the cash price to sink By all accounts, most traders who went short have been able to square their positions.
But for those still suffering from what the market

ing from what the market coviy calls a technical tightness, the authorities have provided two escape routes. LME members have promised to lend tin to those needing to cover positions, and the indications are that one or two firms have made use of this opportunity. The other safe-ty valve is the £120 premium.

For some shorts it may make sense to pay the premium. If the cash price continues to fall it might be cheaper to pay the premium for a few days and then buy

for a few days and then buy the tin needed to cover themselves. Either way, the authorities appear confident that no embarrassing crashes are in the offing.

Nevertheless, the fundamental questions of who has been buying and why remain unresolved. In one sense the LME's task has been made easier by the buyer's scrupulous adherence to the rules. But by the same token this had made it harder to flush out the identity or purpose of the identity or purpose of the operator. Assuming that the next few days pass relatively quietly, the mar-ket will still have to convince users that it is not dominated by a single powerful presence.

# Wall Street Looking sick

Share prices on Wall Street-are looking decidedly sick despite prime rate cuts and strong hints from Treasury Secretary Donald Regan that interest rates could touch 13 or 14 per cent within the next two or three months. Why? The first answer is that

investors see themselves as each-way losers. The credi-bility gap between Wall Street and the White House over control oft the federal budget deficit is wider than ever. And that means either that interest rates will bound upwards again sooner or later, or, if the President is eventually forced into further public spending cuts or back and can make tracking on his tax-cutting misleading

Over the next three days we policies, that the corporate will see whether the steps sector will continue to feel the squeeze well into 1983. There is m any case some doubt as to just how much

to take from a single week fo take from a single week of better than expected money supply figures. In spite of the relief at last week's money numbers, markets remain to be convinced that the money supply will not start to gallop away during March.

Over and above this, money has been pouring into the alternative investment instruments of the moment zero coupon moment — zero coupon bonds, in spite of the uncertainties over their tax treatment, and financial

And for those looking for more conventional homes for their money Triple A bonds returning around 15% per cent must look a more attractive bet so long as there is still so much talk of share prices moving into a new bear phase. new bear phase.

#### Nat West Provisions cut

A huge and unexpected improvement in bad debt provisions explains virtually all the rise in National Westminster's 1981 profits from £410m to £494m — a rise of a fifth compared with the one-third increase chalked up by Lloyd's last

The full in bad debt provisions has happened at the parent bank — there was some increase on the was some increase of the international side and among the subsidiaries—with the result that group provisions have tumbled from £120m to £42m. Naturally NatWest contemp-tuously dismisses the suggestion that to escape the windfall profits tax it massaged down profits last year by bumping up pro-visions and is now writing it

The explanation given is simply that there has been a benching of recoveries of provisions made in earlier years and the corporate sector has been healthier than expected. The puzzling thing is NatWest's experifrom that of Lloyd's whose bad debt provisions — admittedly influenced by rouble areas like Poland rose by 26 per cent in 1981.
The contrasting trends can only lend weight to the view that the banks' ap-proach to bad debt pro-visions is far from uniform

and can make comparisons

# When enthusiasm and hope are just the job

newly appointed headmistress of Bradford's St tress of Bradford's St 20 students still unemployed Joseph's College, something after completing their fifth of a Ciuderella subject. But year of secondary education not any more. According to Miss Fair, deputy heads and

even heads are getting involved in careers work.

But what is even the most high powered of teams to say to the 16, 17 and 18-year-olds facing the hunt for a job knowing that at least three million other people, most of them older, more experi-enced and better qualified, are doing likewise?

They are going to tell them to take a strongly positive approach. This emerged quite clearly from a straw poll of careers teachers conducted last week. Given that few youngsters of this age will be able to easy expensive last to the street of the street able to earn enough to leave home, their opportunities will inevitably be restricted to whatever is available locally. What teachers are doing is encouraging them to decide what they want as early as possible and then to pursue it with determination.

They are being encouraged to come back into the sixth form if they do not succeed first time round. There they will learn new skills, in preparation for their next ry. That resolute optimism

teachers is not perhaps surprising: what is more surprising is how often it seems to be justified.

expected to rise.

More than half of the sixth
formers are studying for A
levels; the rest are topping up
O levels or CSEs, or going in

of vocational

personal and social skills.

Most students in the sixth
last year obtained employment or went on to higher
education though Mrs Wagstaff acknowledges that those

Careers guidance in second-ary schools used to be, in the of it is increased self esteem words of Miss Marie Fair, its worth it," she says. Miss Fair knows of about 20 students still unemployed

last year. Of a similar number who left the sixth form, only two are on the

At Tamar High School, Plymouth, the climate is equally positive and the conditioning starts early.

# AT WORK: CAREERS COUNSELLING

By Adrieume Gleeson

Careers guidance is aiready "a vital part of the curricu-lum" in the third year, according to headmaster Mr Frederick Hill. He believes this is the stage at which important decisions must be made about examination subjects. In the fourth year, two periods a week are devoted to the subject, with a wide range of people coming in to talk about jobs as varied as military police and retail management.

One or two have dropped out recently, Mr Hill says, and he thinks this is ominshould be a prominent ous. By the time he sees the characteristic of career pupils on an individual basis. pupils on an individual basis, early in the middle term of their fifth year, he believes that 90 per cent know what they want to do.

At Matthew Murray High

Take the case of St At Matthew Murray High Joseph's College. It is a girls' School in Leeds careers are comprehensive, a former direct grant school with a from the age of 13 onwards, traditionally strong sixth Like Mr Hill, Mrs Sheila form, in an area if the West Wagstaff, who is in charge of Riding which has been badly careers guidance, thinks that hit by the decline of the tertile industry. About three- onen the children's horizons textile industry. About three-open the children's horizons, quarters of the fifth formers to persuade them to be more stay on, and the numbers are flexible, and to impart some

or semi-vocational training, who joined the non-academic such as the City & Guilds stream "have tended to drift certificate in Community away during the course of the year, when they have found employment". Of

ing the fifth year, about half

There is a section in the syllabus at Matthew Murray covering subjects such as how to claim benefit, and how to use "work free" time. Ducie High School, in Manchester's Moss Side, is a mixed comprehensive with about 500 pupils, who do one period a week on careers when they get into the fourth

last year's leavers about 10 per cent have found work and another 60 per cent are in further education of Youth Opportunity Schemes. In an area like this where the principal employers — the local authority, construction industry, and city centre commerce — are cutting back, the principal problem for the careers teacher is not to educate the children on the choices available, but to

convince them that there is any work at all.

Miss Margaret Ogilvy, careers teacher, says: "We started an experiment recently in posting details of jobs, supplied by the careers service, on our notice board. At first the children kept coming up to me and asking whether they were real.

"A lot of my job chivying people along — getting them to write letters and fill in forms for further education, for example."

While they would advise on the qualifications required for a particular career, and might advise on the area in which it would be sensible to concentrate, none of these make, or even to take a significant part in making, career decisions themselves.

They acknowledge technological revolu

notably in an emphasis on the value of mathematics as one of a "core" of essential subjects for the curriculum but decline to speculate on its implications on the mar-ketability of the children. However unhelpful this appears in the short term, in the longer run it is probably

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# Grindlays Holdings p.l.c.

The Board of Grindlays Holdings p.l.c. has recommended a final dividend for the year ended 31st December, 1981 of 11.5% net (1980 11.5%) making a total for the year of 16.5% (1980 16.5%) equivalent to 4.125p per share (1980 4.125p per share)

51 per cent of the shares of Grindlays Bank p.i.c. are held by Grindlays Holdings which is quoted on-The Stock Exchange, London, 49 per cent of the shares are owned by Citibank N.A., New York,

# Gindlays Building the business on a stronger capital base

In his statement to shareholders the Chairman, Mr. Nigel Robson, says: "A major redeployment of capital resources is in hand through the planned sale of the two Hong Kong subsidiaries, Grindlays Dao Heng Bank and Grindlays Finance; this means added strength and the opportunity of making an improved allocation of the group's capital resources and a more even expansion of business in the United Kingdom and elsewhere in the world".

In the Pacific Basin the Grindlays Bank Group will continue to have a strong presence through its merchant banking subsidiary. Grindlays Asia Limited, in Hong Kong and its branches and offices in Australia, Japan, Korea, Singapore, Taiwan, Indonesia and Malaysia.

In February 1982 the International Merchant Banking Division based in London was established to develop and provide a common focus for the Group's specialist and cross border.

Group profits for 1981 before tax were £34.5 million (1980 £33.7 million). Profits attributable to shareholders were £10.3 million (1980 £14.3 million). Profits retained for the year 1981 were £7.6 million (1980 £11.5). Deposits rose by 17% to £4248 million and Advances by 33% to £2644 million.

Grindlays Bank Group

|   | 1981<br>audited<br>£m | 1981* 1980<br>adjusted<br>£m £m |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Assets  | 4464                  | 4410 3827                       |
| Liabilities   | 4270                  | 4180 3648                       |
| Total capital resources of which share capital & reserves | 194<br>132            | 230 179<br>168 126              |

\*To reflect the proposed sale of Grindlays Dao Heng Bank and Grindlays Finance.



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# Commercial Union

# Assurance Company ple

The Board announces unaudited profits for 1981 of £68.0m

|   | 1981<br>Unaudited<br>Sm                            | 1980<br>Published<br>Em                           |
|---|--|---|
| PREMIUM INCOME  | 1,514.5  | 1,171.5   |
| Investment income<br>Loan interest  | 201.0<br>(9.3)                                     | 151_4<br>(8.6                                     |
| Life profits Underwriting result (analysis below) Associated companies' earnings                  | 191.7<br>17.3<br>(131.9)<br>4.6                    | 142.8<br>15.2<br>(57.3<br>2.5                     |
| PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION AND MUNORITIES Taxation and minorities PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS | 81.7<br>(13.7)<br>68.0                             | 103.2<br>(26.7)<br>76.5                           |
| EARNINGS PER SHARE  | 16.54p   | 18.61   |
| SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS   | 2824m  | £769m   |
| UNDERWRITING RESULT United States United Kingdom Netherlands Canada Remainder                     | £m<br>(25.6)<br>(5.5)<br>(7.7)<br>(23.9)<br>(10.1) | £m<br>(31.8)<br>(2.3)<br>(3.0)<br>(11.9)<br>(8.3) |

During 1981, insurers have been faced with unusually difficult trading problems arising from generally depressed economic conditions, high interest rates and consequent severe competition throughout the world. Nevertheless, our policy of steady growth produced an underlying premium increase of 168

In the United States, premium income increased by 23%, substantially higher than the average for the industry. The statutory operating ratio was [08.1% (1980 104.7%), the claims ratio to earned premiums 73.5% (1980 70.7%) and the expense ratio to written premiums 34.6% (1980 34.0%). A satisfactory result in the last quarter, which produced an operating ratio of 104.0%, had the effect of improving both the claims ratio and the expense ratio for the year from the levels published for the 9 months to 30th September 1981. This Improvement was evident in both personal lines and commercial lines and in the property and workers' compensation classes

In the United Kingdom, premium growth was 12%. Although the motor account showed a satisfactory profit, adverse experience for commercial lines business, arising from intense competition and extreme weather conditions in the last quarter, produced an overall underwriting loss.

The total results for the Netherlands, including underwriting, investment

income and life profiles, showed a satisfactory improvement over last year. The underwriting loss continued to increase in the last quarter, but at a shower rate than for the first 9 months. The large motor portfolio traded profitably, but liability claims experience was worse than a year ago. Non-life premium growth was 25.

In Canada, the underwriting experience was far worse than market expectations. Despite substantial premium rate increases during 1981, our underwriting loss deteriorated significantly. Premium growth was 123.

The underwriting loss for Remainder reflected poor results in a number

of territories in Western Europe although underwriting profits in the Far East increased. Marine and aviation business written on the London Market for the 1979 underwriting year was closed at the end of 1981 with a loss of £4.0m. The annual review of the provisions for earlier years has resulted in a release of £1.7m, producing an overall net loss of £2.3m.

Investment income, net of loss interest, increased by 34% on a published

hasis, with an underlying increase of 20% (1970-15%). This increase was due to continuing high interest rates, some changes in investment policy and the additional income arising from cash generated as a result of our premium

Life profits improved satisfactorily and an underlying increase of 10% was

From the beginning of 1982, certain changes are to be made in the bosis of presentation of life profits following the insurance Companies Act 1981. This will release an estimated profit, after texation, of £28,2m in 1982 as an exceptional item in addition to the normal life profits for that year. Full details of these changes will be given in the Report and Accounts for 1981.

The Directors recommend for payment on 17th May 1982 a final dividend regether with the interim dividend of 4.850p (1980 4.400p) per share paid in November last, gives a total dividend of (1.800p (1980 10.800p) per share, which represents an increase of 9.3% on the dividend paid in respect of the year ended 31st December 1980. These dividends, including preference dividends for 1981, require £48.5m (1980 £44.4m). The balance of profit for 1981 amounting to £19.5m (1980 £32.1m) has been added to reserved UK resident and certain foreign shareholders will be entitled to an imputation tax credit of 5.057p (1980 4.629p) per share at current rates of tax, making a gross dividend for the year of 16.857p (1980 15.429p) per share.

The Report and Accounts for 1981 will be posted to shareholders on 25th March 1982 and the Annual General Meeting will be held on 19th April 1982.

| The results of the Company's op<br>at the rates of exchange prevailing<br>These were as follows:— | erations have, as using at the close of th | aal, been eenve<br>e periods repoi | ried. |
|---|--|------------------------------------|-------|
|   | 1981                                       | 1980                               |       |
| United States<br>Netherlands<br>Consider  | \$ 1.91<br>Fis 4.72<br>\$ 2.36             | \$ 2.39<br>Fis 5.10                |       |

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# ERNESTJONES Results for the year ended

28th September 1991

|                          | TEST<br>Erro | 1303<br>1000 |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| TURNOVER (VAT inclusive) | 10,991       | 9,971        |
| TURNOVER (VAT exclusive) | 9,584        | 8,637        |
| PROFIT before TAXATION   | 1,103        | 1,458        |
| PROFIT after TAXATION    | 726          | 1,234        |
| EARNINGS per Share       | 7.35         | 12.65        |
| DIVIDEND per Share (net) | . 3.9p       | 3.9p         |
|                          |              |              |

Points from the Chairman's Statement: Record turnover.

Four new branches opened.

Continuing programme of selective expansion. Copies of the Report and Accounts may be obtained, on or after 2nd March, from The Secretary.

> ERNEST JONES (Jewellers) p.l.c.

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# BUSINESS NEWS/COMPANIES AND MARKET REPORTS

#### WALL STREET

New York, Feb 23 - The market showed some strength in the final hour of trading but still closed mixed on the day.

The market had been weak for most of the day, but attempted to rally late in the session, perhaps aided by news that durable goods orders declined 1.5 per cent in January, which analysis said highlighted the weakness in the

The Dow Jones industrial average was up 1.72 at 812.98 but other broader indices were ower and declines led advances

iour to three. Volume rose to 60 million shares from yesterday's 58.31 million shares. Analysts said investors focuser on the poor economic outlook, and tended to ignore interest rate

The decline in prime rate to 16½ per cent from 17 per cent by major banks had little impact, since the market is not convinced that interest rates will move lower Word that the White House was "willing to talk" about a budget compromise did little more than reinforce the market, which had already becam to change direction.

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ig lw (+2.39). UK: Sheep. 204.38p
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77.45p per ig w (+0.08). Segland and
Wales: Cattle nos. up 6.5 per cent.
ave. price, 102.00p (+3.04). Sheep
nos. up 6.7 per cent. ave. price.
203.58p (+3.44). Pig nog. up 12,6 per
cent. ave. price. 77.25p (-0.27).
Seedianst: Cattle nos. down 0.9 per
cent. ave. price. 104.59p (+0.99).
Sheep nos. up 37.1 per cent. ave.
price. 201.75p (+0.58). Pig nog.
down 7,6 per cent. ave. price. 79.17p
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# Capital Markets

Cradit Commercial de France. lead manager for an issue of bonds by the United Mexican States, said that in view of the very strong demand, the amount of the issue was increased from

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Consolidated Crds ... 14%

C. Hoare & Co ..... \$14% Lioyds Bank ...... 14%

Midland Bank ...... 14%

Nat Westminster 14%

7 day deposits on sums of under £10,000 [11/2]. £10,000 up to £50,000 and over

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A working group of banks and money broking houses is looking into the possibility of establishing a financial futures market in

Truet Company of Chicago, was set up a few weeks ago with the backing of the Monetary Authority

\$100m (£54.4m) to \$130m, "and

the timetable has been accelerated." The bonds are retractable at the holder's option in 1985, 1981 and 1994.

banking sources said the group was expected to complete its work and submit a report to MAS by

Transcanada Ptpelines is making a placing of £25m in unsecured notes which are automatically exchangeable on May 21, 1982, for First Mortgage Pipeline Bonds, 2007. The price will be set loday so as to ensure a yield of 2½ per cent over the gross redempton yield of 3½ per cent Treasury Stock 2004/08. It is the first secured corporate issue for an overseas borrower since the removal of exchange controls. Transcanada Pipelines owns and Transcanada Pipelines owns and has interests in natural gas

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# The Over-the-Counter Market

| 193  | 31 /82 |                     |       |       |        |      | P      | /E             |
|--|--------|---------------------|-------|-------|--------|------|--------|----------------|
| liigh                                      | Low    | Сотрану             | Price | Ch'ge | Divip: | YM   | Actual | Fully<br>Taxed |
| 124  | 100    | ABI Hidgs 10% CULS  | 124   | _     | 10.0   | 8.1  |        |                |
| 75   | 62     | Airsprung Group     | 70    | _     | 4.7    | 6.7  | 11.1   | 15.4           |
| 51   | 33     | Armitage & Rhodes   | 44    | +1    | 4.3    | 5.8  | 3.7    | 8.3            |
| 205  | 187    | Bardon Hill         | 203   | _     | 9.7    | 4.8  | 9.9    | 12.0           |
| 104  | 71     | Deborah Services    | 71    | _     | 6.0    | 8.5  | 3.5    | 6.7            |
| 131  | 97     | Frank Horsell       | 131   | -     | 6.4    | 4.9  | 11.8   | 24.3           |
| 53   | 39     | Prederick Parker    | 83    | -     | 6.4    | 7.7  | 4.2    | 0.1            |
| 73   | 46     | George Blair        | 51    | _     | _      | _    | _      | _              |
| 102  | 93     | Ind. Pref. Castings | 95    | _     | 7.3    | 7.7  | 6.8    | 10.3           |
| 156  | 163    | Isis Conv Pref      | 106   | _     | 15.7   | 14.8 | _      | _              |
| 113  | 94     | Jackson Group       | 96    | _     | 7.0    | 7.3  | 3.0    | 6.8            |
| 130  | 168    | James Burrough      | 112   | _     | 8.7    | 7.8  | 8.2    | 10,3           |
| 334  | 250    | Robert Jenkins      | 252   | -     | 31.3   | 12.4 | 3.5    | 8.9            |
| 59   | 51     | Scruttons "A"       | 59    | +1    | 5.3    | 9.0  | 9.1    | 8.4            |
| 222  | 161    | Torday & Carlisle   | 161   | _     | 10.7   | 5.6  | 5.2    | 9.6            |
| 15   | 10     | Twinlock Ord        | 134   | _     | _      | _    |        |                |
| 83   | 66     | Twialock 15% ULS    | 78    | +I    | 15.0   | 19.2 | _      | - I            |
| 44   | 26     | Unilock Holdings    | 26    | _     | 3.0    | 11.5 | 4.6    | 7.9            |
| 193  | 73     | Walter Alexander    | 76    | -     | 6.4    | 8.5  | 5.0    | 8.8            |
| <b>-</b> 53                                | Z12    | W. S. Yeates        | 728   | -     | 13.1   | 5.7  | 4.3    | 8.8            |
| Prices now available on Pressel page 48146 |        |                     |       |       |        |      |        |                |

#### VANTONA

# Waiting for the **Budget**

Textile companies will be unsure of 1982 demand until after the Chancellor has announced his Budget on March 9. This was made clear yesterday by Mr Davoud Alliance, Vantona Group's chief executive, after he announced an increase in pre-tax profits from £4.29m to

£5.84m for last year. There is no improvement in trading conditions on last year", Mr Alliance said. The group has managed to increase profits for the year to last November 29 even though sales are down by 3 per cent, at £104.19m.

Vantona has pressed on with a programme of increasing productivity, improving communications and every other method to become more profitable in a very difficult market. In the first half, probably as a result of half, probably as a result of an unexpectedly deflationary Budget, sales were 6.7 per cent down. During the sec-ond half, returning optimism was checked by an increase of 4 per cent in base lending rates in September. Sales in the second half, therefore, were only 1.6 per cent up on last year", the company says. Vantonas carnings per Vantonas earnings per share are up from 16.20 to 23.9p.

# Rise of a paper millionaire

Dealings in the Unlisted Securities Market group Oceonics begin next Tuesday after a placing yesterday by stockbrokers Simon and Coates of around 17 per cent of its shares with insti-tutions. The placing, at 130p a share, gives the specialists in navigation and underwater exploration systems, a stock market price tag of £13m. In the process Mr Bob Aird, aged 34, who started the business seven years ago and is now its chairman, will become a paper millionaire whose half share at the placing price will be worth

Oceonics will raise almost £1.2m of new money to increase its manufacturing capacity in new high tech-nology products, widen its equipment range and streng-then its market position particularly in South East Asia and America.

Examples of its products controlled vehicle systems, deep sea lighting and camera equipment and high technology ocean-bed buoys which give off electronic sounds over several miles through water.

Up to now Oceonics has survived on a capital base of £9, financing itself through cash flow and bank borrowings. In 1977, on a turnover of £135,000 it made profits of £26,000. For the six months to the end of last September it made £687,000 pre-tax on a turnover of £3.3m and it is forecasting profits of £1m for the year ending next month. investors will have to wait a year for any dividends Oceonics prospectus says it hopes to pay a gross 2.1428p for the year to March 1983.

#### MARCHWIEL

# Recovery road

Marchwiel, the building and civil engineering group, is recovering from the disastrous trading period in 1980 when it lost heavily on a road when it lost heavily on a road ings per share are 28.4p, project in the Sudan. Pre-tax profit for the year to the end of last October is up from £654,000 to £10.38m.

A final dividend of 4.2p, making 6.6p, as against 6p. has been announced. Mr Alfred McAlpine, the chairman says that current orders in Britain are higher than a

On the Sudan contract Mr McAlpine says: "I am confiman says that current orders in Britain are higher than a year ago.

"In particular, the group has recently been awarded valuable road contracts, which together amount to the contract which, if years to the contract which, if years to the contract which, if years to the contract which together amount to the contract which if years to the contract which is the co

be a little better.

which together amount to more than £48m," he says. He will be disappointed if this year's contracting turnover and profit do not equal 1981 levels. Other

#### subsidiaries in Britain should SECURITY CENTRES

#### The South African mining £1.9m cash call

company is making "excel-lent progress" but, elsewhere in Africa, competition for Security Centres Holdings, the burglar and fire darm business run by Mr Stewart Jamieson, is to raise around 1.9m with a two-for-time rights issue at 110p per ings per share are 28.4p, against 0.8p. Net assets per share are 189p against 164p. The news was in line with share. The price yesterday stood at 138p on news of the issue and it gives existing shareholders a 28p discount

market expectations, and the The company has widened share price came down 2p to its United Kingdom and 138p, against a high for 1981/2 of 154p. overseas operations by a series of acquisitions. Late series of acquisitions. Late last year it agreed to pay \$250,000 (£136,000) for a third share in Video Applications, of Florida. This month, it bought Safeguard Alarms of Birmingham for £43,000 cash.

issue in 14 months. In December 1980 the company raised £1.1m to finance growth out of its Belfast base.

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#### LATEST RESULTS

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|---------------|--|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| t<br>E        | Company<br>Int or Fin  | Sales<br>£m  | Profits<br>Em  | Earnings<br>per share   | Div  | Pay<br>date  | Yeer's.   |
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# MARCHWIEL PLG

| Year ended 31st October  | 1981<br>£000 | 1980<br>£000 |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Turnover   | 237,559      | 260,736      |
| Profit before Taxation   | 10,382       | 654          |
| Profit after Taxation, Minority<br>Interests and Extraordinary Items | 6,528        | 3,908        |
| Dividend per Ordinary Share  | 6.6p         | - 6p         |
| Net Assets per Ordinary Share  | 189p         | 164p         |
|  |              |              |

- \* An improved year with profits beginning to climb towards their former levels.
- \* The Group has weathered the recession and is now well placed to take full advantage of the recovery when it comes.
- \* Increased ordinary dividend, covered 2.8 times.
- \* Net assets in excess of £67 million.
- \* Liquid resources in excess of £26 million.

# The Sir Alfred McAlpine Group

Copies of the full Statement and the Chairman's Report will be available from the Secretary, Hooton, South Wirral, Cheshire L66 7ND, after March 5th.

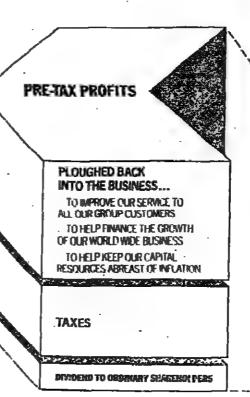
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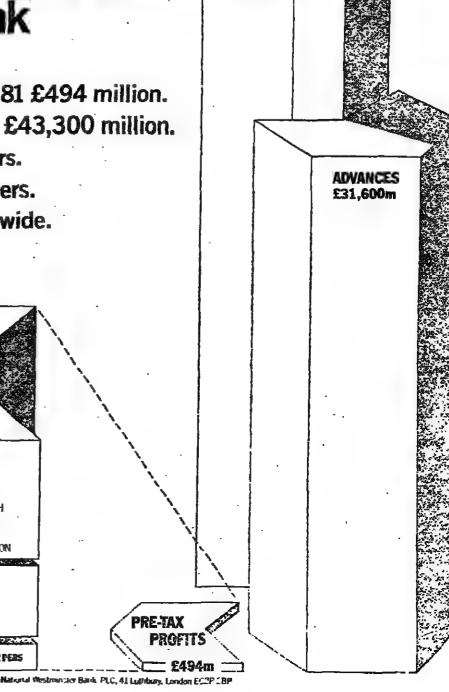
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Group Profits for 1981 £494 million. Total Assets exceed £43,300 million. 10 million Customers.

105,000 Shareholders. 81,600 Staff world-wide.





# Jennings misery: England go ahead after 45 seconds

England 4 Northern Ireland 0 Two late goals by Wilkins and Hoddle, after two by Keegan and Robson, gave Northern Ireland a

at Wembley last night.

The kick-off may have been two minutes late but England lost no time in producing an extraordinary opening. Within some 45 seconds Jennings, winning his 90th cap, was picking the ball out of his net. He has played in just three reserve team gates at Arsenal since January 2 and must have wished for a moment that he had failed his fitness test in the morning.

test in the morning.

England kept possession from the start, won a free kick and Anderson released Francis on the edge of the penalty area. With one short burst of acceleration, one short burst of acceleration, seen all too little in the past eighteen months, Francis was passed Nelson and closing in on the bye-line. A crisp cross came over and Robson the only representative to play in all eight qualifying matches, merely tapped it home.

sentative to play in all eight qualifying matches, merely tapped it home.

So incisive and so direct, it seemed too good to be true. Sadly, it was. England, faced by the threat of two strikers, one a second division reserve and the other playing in the third divisood, supported their new central defensive partnership by stationing Wilkins behind them as sweeper. Hoddle was manacled by Donachy, a centre half pushed into mid-field specifically for the task, and Keekan was often forced to drap back in the search for possession.

It was there in the tangled undergrowth in midfield that

undergrowth in midfield that England, as has become their custom, struggled to break free. There was little uign of the flow-ing confidence of Hoddle, who

has been so outstanding for his club this season, and none of the surging runs from Francia, the opening apart, Keegan and Morley a ghostly figure on the distant trackling distant touchline.

distant touchline.

Significantly two defenders advanced to produce England's other chances before the interval. First Anderson dispossessed McIlroy, rounded Nelson and closed in on goal only be be denied by Chris Nicholl. Then Watson, at the age of 35, rumbled forward to meet a low cross from Francis but his efforts were deflected wide. Keegan driving rather than chipping on the green sward, elso missed an opportunity.

Northern Ireland, shaken by

Northern Ireland, shaken by their early sethack, recovered the spirit and the endeavour for which they have become rewhich they have become re-nowned McIlroy clipped the bar with a corner and then took edvantage of an error by Foster, the debutante, to run through only to shoot straight at Clemence. He repeated the feat later but Donaghy closed a disap-

pointing first half by thating Clemence's right hand post from some 25 yards.

Yet the Irish were caught cold again at the dawn of the second as England warmed to their task. There was a similarity about the roal at well. Anderson was again the right and Francis once more supplied the cross, this time a high curling centre, and once was standing on his own, this time Keegan, enjoying such a proguided it in with his head.

A race flush of Hoddle's talent, a reverse pass inside the Jennings saved as competently then as he did ten minut later. The glancing header forehead of Regis, with his first Francis had given way and

# European dates agreed

Valencia, Feb 23.—A provisional programme for European championship qualifying group seven was agreed here today by representatives from all countries in the group except Malta, who could not attend.







Chance to attack is missed

# League stays in midfield muddle

emerged with barely an attacking idea between them and
have again allowed the chance
to break away towards the ultimate goal, a gright future, pass,
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Although individual clubs have been gueneing up like lemmings on the edge of the precipice, the few safety barriers that have been proposed are on the wrong cliff. A streamlining of the first two divisions and the regionalization of the flottom two was the most immediate answer to the most immediate answer to the many problems, but that recommendation was apparently scarcely considered.

The fear voiced by Bert Millichip, the chairman of the Football Association and of West Bromwich Albion, is that the subsequent reduction of fixtures would lead to smaller aggregate attendances. Is that not misguided? Surely the best way to persuade the seven-andas half million potential customers to the from their arm-chairs, reach into their pockets and go to marches is to increase the quality and decrease the quantity.

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accepts, are sure to follow It is also estimated that a quarter of the professional players will join the lengthy dole queue at the end of this season as clubs trim their main expenditure, the wage bill.

The proposal concerning the immediate setrlement of transfer fees was rejected by the chairmen at their last semilar two years ago. At least they have seen the wisdom of accepting it now. The two-year ban on the signing of players outside the EEC was equally landable, as was the strengthening of the gentlemen's agreement concerning the poaching of managers.

Little else was produced by

Little else was produced by Sunday's meeting except the empty promise of a change in the laws. A team headed by Sir Matt Busby is to examine

FIFA must approve them for a start and by the time they have been dragged through the tangle of bureaucracy it is unikely that Sir Matr's "think tank" will have much to show for their efforts. Besides, it is not so much the laws that need amending bur the general atti-Whether the chairmen like tude, as competitive as it is it or not what may be the case stale, that requires a long next season enyman. It is estimated overhead.

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Fourth division

# Wingless to victory Scotland hope

Scotland, wingless but with the scottand, wingless our win the potential to score several goals, could severely damage the morale of the World Cup hosts, Spain, and bolster their own here in a "friendly" match tomorrow night. Wark, Brazil and Dalglish hope to drive straight through the middle of Spain's improving defence.

management of Jock Stein that no winger has been seen. Mr Stein assumes that with Gray roaming the touchline from the back and the Ipswich pair, Brazil and Wark, the Ipswich pair, Brazil and Wark, ready to move wide as they do for their club, the side will not lose their continuity of style. His theory is that Wark and Brazil will give Dalglish space to irritate the Spaniards who, he says, are desperately keen not to lose here on one of the scenes of their World Cup festival in June.

The team chosen contains a large number of changes from the side who lost their last World Cup qualifying game in Portugal in Noyember. Rough returns in goal, McGrain resumes his long

the ceptaincy from Hariford.
McLeish is in the centre of defence instead of Miller, while Provan gives way to Wark.
Sturrock, who will be arriving late

Spanish security Spanish solid said that today's security operation for the Spain v Scottand game would be a trial run for the World Cup. A police spokesman said fans would be prevented from taking alcohol into the Luis Casanova stadium in Valencia and would be searched for knives or other potentially dangerous sharp instruments, Barkeepers have been told to stop serving drinks to drunken fans

after a club game for Dundee United, will forfeit his place to Brazil. Archibald might have been retained had he not only recently recovered from an injury. Mr Stein says he is not taking chances on players who are over the hill." The comment will be recognized by Rott Greenwood, the England mana-ger, who will be here tomorrow. Mr Stein anticipates that Spain will be defensively strong and play "on the break" as they did against England last year.

But Zamora, one of their most enterprising attack builders, will not be seen. He is injured; however, Satrustegui and Quini form a dangerous attacking partnership and Lopez Ufarte returns in place of Saura. If Scotland, with their fanatical if Scottane, with they are under pressure as the World Cup loams, their tension is nothing compared

The hosts have been stretched -elmost torn-by political in-fighting among club officials who are audious that if the eventual team lacks some local favourite it will not be for the want of

Several times in the past three months it has been remoured that José Santamaria, the international manager, was about to lose his job. His critics invariably have

# **Scots Saint** in Italy

Italy U21 0 Scotland U21 1
Catanzaro, Feb 23.—Scotland
upset Italy in this first-leg match
of the European championship
quarter-final round here today. A quarter-inia from here tousy. A powerful shot by McAvennie, of St Mirren, in the thirty-eventh minus: boosted Scotland's chances of reaching the semi-final round. The return leg is in Aberdeen on March.

Scotland, showing better work, easily controlled the fanci-ful and confused attacks of the Italians and staged fast and dan-gerous counterattacks. McAven-Stewart that was missed by an Italian defender.

The Romanian referee showed the reliew card to Stewart, McCluskey, McLaughlin and Borghi, McAveumie, McCluskey and Scewart were Scotland's stars. The winners, of this round will play. Poland or England in the next

# Alberto is forgiven New York, February 23 Julio Mr. Mazzel's appointment was

New York, February 23—Julio Marzei, the new manager of Cosmos, has re-signed the Brazilian Carlos Alberto. Mr Mazzei replaces Hennes Weisweller, who was dismissed 10 days ago. Mr. Mazzei harshly critized Mr Weisweller for both his tactics and lack of communication with his players an dthe local football-community. community.

Mr Mazzei said Mr Weiswailer's style produced a mechanical and boring game. He also thought the West German manager's long the west German manager's long suspension of the Dun'n player-Neesleens and the diamissal of Alberto was wrong. Alberto fell foul of Mr Welsweller a year ago when he missed the opening of the North American Soccar League training camp at the Rabimas.

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Alberto claimed Mr Weisweller gave him permission to artend the 1981 carnival only to punish him later. Alberto signed with California Surf last season before returning in December to play for Brol Yasin, the Cosmos' indoor coach. Mr Weisweller was on holiday in Europe and mayallable for comment.

Mr. Mazzel's appointment was only temporary. We are scouring the world for someone who is known as an international coach." Mr. Wesblin said. Mr. Mazzel, Pele's mentor and friend since 1965 when both were with. Santos came to Cosmos in 1975. Four years later, Mr. Mazzel replaced the head coach Eddle Firmanl. He was in charge for the first five games of the 1980 sesson until Mr. Wesweller arrived in May. in May.

"I'm going to try my best to bring back to the Commos that kind of game where you are smalling after you wistch it, even if you lose the game." Bir Mazzel said.

"Lest sesson, I watched at a spectator, and I had that kind of feeling at the end of the game, when you won the game but, nothing happened. It looked to me that there was too much machanics.

Peru will play the game on April

# BOXING

# Graham should repel challenge

commonwealth light-middleweight champion and best young boxer of 1981, starts 1982 with a double title defence tonight. Since the opposition does not appear to be in top championship class, Graham's titles should not be in danger, the Press Association writes.

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Graham meets Chris Christian, of Stoke Newington, at City Hall, Sheffield, where he is regarded with the same affection as another local hero. Sebastian Coe. Christian's title chance was hard-earned. He outpointed the former British Champion, Jimmy Batten, over eight rounds, though the verdict was hotly contested by Batten's connexions. Then he beat Steve Hopkin, a rugged East Anglian, who had already fought for the title and lost. It was on curs and therefore not entirely conclusive, but it was an official eliminator.

Graham is not an exciting

Royal Albert Hall last September.
Graham is not an excling by staying in the top ten, however, but he has exceptional technical skill and a good defence. He is a counter-puncher of class and, if he has a fault, it is that he wastes energy by being overclaborate; he is not the greatest stayer in the world.
Graham proved his class by winning both his titles easily, and Christian's determination is not lawless, has not accepted.

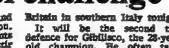
Royal Albert Hall last September.
By staying in the top ten, however, he qualifies to box for the world title.

A deal was completed in Los Angeles yesterday by the promoter, Micky Duff, and Magri will be offered the chance to meet Avelar in a \$259,000 title bout, by winning both his titles easily, and Christian's determination is not lawless, has not accepted.

Cattousse's chance: Joe Gibl-lisco, the hard-hitting Italian, puts his European lightweight crown at stake against Ray Cattouse, of

Magri jumps

the queue
Charlie Magri could be the next
Briton to box for a world title—
at Wembley on May 4, against
the WBC flyweight champion,
Antonio Aveiar, of Mexico. Magri surrendered his number one rating when he was surprisingly knocked out by Autonio Diaz, another Mexican, at the Royal Albert Hail last September. By staying in the top ten, however, he qualifies to box for the world title.



It will be the second title defence for Gibilisco, the 23-year-old champion. He often takes risks with his attacking style. Cattouse, from Baiham, said on his arrival in Campobasso, where the bout is being held, that he was confident.



# £3,000 in the bag

some personal are to grind. Mr Stein may sometimes wonder whether he is including an un-diplomatic number of Anglos, but the problem hardly com-pares with the outrage here when, for instance, Real Madrid appear to be favoured ahead of Bar-celons.

One such argument before Christmas almost cost Mr Santamaria his job. All he did was experiment without Juanito, the clever Real Madrid player who was notoriously unreliable. Juanito remains out of favour.

A nagging leg injury could put Gordon Straction, the midfield player out of the game, however. He went to hospital today for x-ray on his left leg after com-plaining of feeling pain during last night's training session.

SPAN (grobatie): L'Asconais; J aviacho, M. Tenglio, J. Alesanco, R ordillo, Gallego, L. Victor, M. Alusso, mini, Sairustegui, Lopez, L. Ufarte.

England's cricketers had the surprise of the winner waiting for them when they arrived at Trivandrum in southern India yesterday to play a benefit match for Govind Bawji, the tour baggageman, Press Association writes. As they walked bienty-eyed onto the patch after the last night of tour celebrations in Sri Lanka, they were greeted by opposition of unexpected strength.

The chief minister of Kerala's XI included eight of the Indian Test cricketers under Sumil Gavaskar, the captain, and for a brief period England feared they were in for a full one-day international rather than a 40 over knockabout.

However, once Keith Fletcher sent in Jack Richards and Iam Botham to open the batting after losing the toss. Gavaskar entered the spirit of the day and all tension evaporated.

England were bowled out in 37.2 overs for 263. Their main contributions came from Miles Gatting (48), Graham Gooch (37) and 44 from Fletcher After the groundstaff had put on the bone dry outfield, the Indians set off at a cracking pace. Over 100 runs came from the first ten overs bowled by Miles Gatting and Paul Allott, 75 of them in 38

minutes from the flashing but of Krish Srikkanth, the Test opener. After that it was plain sailing as the Indians passed England's total with five wickets down and 7.1 of their 40 overs to spare. As an end-of-tour jampt it was an amount down and County to spare. am emi-or-tour jamit it was an amusing day and Govind's trust fund has benefited to the time of 54,000 Indian rupees (over £3,000).

The England party leave for home tonight and are due to arrive at Gatwick tomogrow morning.

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Australia's practice for the first cricket Test against New Zealand in Wellington on Friday was hit badly in Napier today when the second day of their three-day match against the North Island was rained out without a ball being bowled.

Officials suggested that a one-day match be played tomorrow but Alsa Crompton, the Australian manager, said his feam preferred to continue with the three-day fixture to glean as much practice as possible

When raim intervened yesterday, four Australian batsmen were back in the pavillon with only 134 runs on the board.

#### CRICKET

series.

The nine who said in a joint statement they would not play under Javed Miandad are: Majid Kian, Zaheer Abbas, Imran Khan, Wasim Rala, Safrak Nawaz, Modasear Nazar, Jobel Qasim, Mobsin Khan and Sikandar Rakht.

The president of the Pakistan Cricket Board, Mr Nur Khan, said last Saturday that Miandad, who led Pakistan in the recent series against Australia which they lost, would continue as captain against Sci Lanka and in

Workshire's full general committee has named Sunday, March 7 as the day on which the report and recommendations of the so-called in-depth committee will be considered in detail. Recently, the proposals were given an initial airing.

These include suggestions on healing the breach between Geoffrey Boycott and the team manager Ray Illingworth

Test players' uprising

Labore, Pakistan, Peb 23.—
Nine of Pakistan's leading. Test
cricketears declared open revolt
today when they said they would
not play under jeved Miandad,
their captain. They made their
move two days before the arrival
of the Sri Lankan team who are
visiting Pakistan for a three-Test
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Anstralia. They said the allegations were instignted by Miandad.
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players about Javed Miandad's
ability to lead the team. We,
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captain against Sci Lanka and in

A report making reformendations about the future of the cricket festivals ar Bath and Weston super Mare was completed yesterday by Somerset county cricket club. There have been moves to end the festivals for financial reasons and play all games at Tamuon which has a new £400,000 pavillon. A decision will be amounced in Map. This year's festivals will be ahead.

# **SQUASH RAC!**

experient Jahangir Khan who Geoff Hunt, 16 year mouths his senior, seeded to contest to the International Squ

Association cham angurated at Abbey four years ago, and British national chr confested on the same There will be 64 draw when the cibegins next Wedne Jahangir and Hunt wi on court. Last Nov precocious Pakistani b the final of the world ship in Toronto (the they met) and it is re-predict that, at Bromlo Jahangir will also clos on Hant's record break If was at Abbeydale, ago that Hunt won British Open title. He it to do with the organization championships were Abbeydale. He now if the club for the first he won the ISPA chat there in 1979.

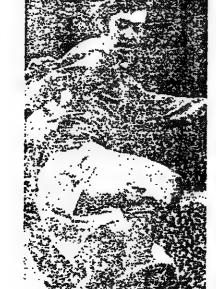
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All that, together proximity of his birth this a sentimental jour most successful play history of the game. Hint holds the ISP Hint holds the ISPA cannot be expected to panage has clearly mo of him and is still improve seedings suggest that (eight will line up as for Jahangir (Pakistad). Williams (Australia), Watson (South Africa) w Awad (Egypt), Maqsood (Pakistan) v Ross Norma Zealand) and Gawain Bria.

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The manile of world has not affected the principal has been succeed to the first round to the principal has appetite was taked in the first round Lookers Masters tournal Mohammed Asran is Mohammed Asran is player but he was made to pedestrian against Jah Asran started the first game but once his opponent so feel of the court at the squash club the pace and of the world champion be flow.

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Best : the outstanding of one manager's life-

# Geoffrey Green has just seen the future

in the past-and it works

# Passing the ball back to Rowe

their experiments have been good for the game but at least they were

Carwyn James, the distinguished Welsh rugby authority, once asked me about future development in the association code. Referring slyly to the philosophy of his own game, where progress in the main is made by passing backwards, I suggested. by passing backwards, I suggested, tongue in cheek, that soccer also might advance by looking backwards and returning to a pattern of one goalkeeper and 10 forwards. It was a bit of light-hearted nonsense, of course, but there is an accolade awaiting the man who will devize a way to end the dreary midfield stalemate and the back, and field stalemate and the back and

side passing that has crippled the game in recent years.

But to return to these few thinkers. First there was Herbert Chapman, who produced the original third back defensive centre-half system to defeat the 1925 change in the offside law. Though it brought great success to Arsenal, in the long term I believe it harmed football. At his side must stand Sir Alf Ramsey, whose 4—3—3 side of "wingless wonders" won England

In half a century only a handful the World Cap of 1966 but cast of managers have offered an original a blight on entertainment. idea to English football. Not all of Arthur Rowe, by contrast, a blight on entertainment.

Arthur Rowe, by contrast, achieved the attractive "push and run" style that brought a bloom of

run style that brought a bloom of beauty and excitement to Tottenham Hotspur in the 1950s. Bill Nicholson and Bertie Mee, though not original thinkers, at least achieved discipline and teamwork—nut to menion the telent of Blanchflower at White Hart Lane—to a fine pitch when achieving the League and FA Cup double for Spurs and Arsenal in 1951 and 1971, when it was thought to be beyond anyone's scope in the twentieth-century pressure. scope in the twentieth-century pressure cooker.

Finally, one should touch the forelock to Sir Matt Busby and Manchester United for opening the doors to European competition in opposition to the perochial attitude of the Faceball League.

of the Football League.

Rowe, now retired but still a timaker, is an eminence grise. His opinions are widely respected. A cost on the Continent in the footwar, he was aftered in 1939 the post of Hungarian national team manager. Wer intervened A pupil was developed at Tottenham of the great Peter McWilliam; the founding fainer of the modern tions, it put a defender out of the spurs, Rowe admits that his "push



Arthur Rowe: A thinker who founded the radical philosophy of push-and-run child's play.

need more of today rather than all the lateral and back passing that bores people. Your answer to Cartyn James was a joke in the extreme. But, yes—though perhaps I shouldn't say is—I believe soccer could go forward by moving backwards 30 years."

Rowe, a Spurs player in his day, gained one cap for England in 1934 as centre half and the game has been his life. His memories and

judgments go deep. "George Best I consider the outstanding wanger in my liferime, with Matthews and Finney equal second. At centre for ward. Di Stefano and Tommy Lawton get my vote. At wing half Bozsis, the Hungarian Burgess, Blanchilower, Dungan Rowards and Matt Busby are my choice. Matt's passing had an elegant certainty about at marched later by Bobby Charlton in his salad days."

ROUND-UP

# Fletcher follows suit

and receive has become the solution and top British anateur show her in a week to turn his back aged 31, has followed Nick on to the professional ng a contract with "K mited, a subsignant-based audio orode for Britain Montreal Olympics. elton in the team silver medal at the

mpensatory games".
, in 1980, when the
it was boycotted.

Nations Cup teams, he has accumulated 36 points, 11 more than the total needed to qualify for the right to ride horses with a commercial title.

Under the terms of the three-year contract, Pletcher's horses, Preachan and Hodgoon's Choice, will have the name changed. will have the names changed to Schneider Trendsetter and Schnei-

Schneiter fremsetter and ocuper-der Power Pack,
Fletcher's switch further re-duces the list of experienced riders now eligible to ride for Britain at the 1984 Olympics.

#### GYMNASTICS



What working down mines does for you

Wales has always produced first class male symmasts, and enthusi-asts in the Principality say that their-superior muscular development is inherited from the male tradition of working down the mines. And it is a Welshman, Arthur Whitford, who has pride of place for British gymnastics in of place for British gymnastics in the Guinness Book of Records who won the British championship 10 times between 1928 and 1936 and again in 1939. Happily he is still a keen spectator at the main events. A young man who is making his mark in the resurg-ence of this sport in Wales is 20-year-old Andrew Morris.

RUGBY LEAGUE

# vers' ticket to France

in Great Britain international in to talks of Tonh club, making a ban, the interna-and utility back ton Rovers.

Puech.

Phil Larder, the former Oldham centre, who has also played for Whitehaven, has been appointed director of coaching of the Rugby League national coaching scheme. Larder, who will take up the post in May, is head of physical education at Saddleworth School. He turned professional from Sale, the Rugby Union club, in 1968.

# speedy ordan

Tears of joy for golden Braa

Holmenkolien, February 23—Oddvar Braa won the 15 kilometre race here today in the fastest time in a world championships 38 minutes 52.5 seconds. Norweging around the finish line were weeping as Braz came in, and others danced a victory jig in the snow. It was Norway's fourth gold in six events at the

#### **TODAY'S FIXTURES**

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ROWING

# Who can head Oriel?

by Jun Marketile, the last male bastion at cord university, make an empt to underline their remarcy in the Oxford Torbids wh begin today. Oriel's main sats appear to be their nediate pursuars, Keble and received term with their plastic thresting up and training in horrowed shell while waiting their eight, to be repaired. The considered not to be the class of the many fine the class of the class of the class of the many fine the class of the cla

# End for Lady Margaret?

ady Margaret's seven-year in as head of the Cambridge it bumps seems likely to end i week. Favourites to take the diship are Clare but they will in the Downing out in a class of their own. Downing, however, start own. Downing, however, start wild Pembroke and Trinity ill, the criws between them and by Margaret bump, their nece will 20.

The combridge is were well beaten at Peterborough Head where Clare were the second fastest college behind Downing, out in a class of their own. Downing, however, start own. Downing, however, start the seventh and so would need an over bump, which would be on Clare, to go ahead?

Lower down Sidney should rise, cains immediately behind have to wait a day before they, too, climb.

nnis upset:

ionterry, Mexico, Feb 2).—
Le Buehning of West Germany sed the first upset of the merry grand prix tennis four-nent here today when he beat hith seed Hank Pfister of the ned States 7—5, 6—2 in a first and match.

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own duals

is first British open pairs is green bowls championship te held at Rhyl from August 26 and will carry more than O prize money.

tzky poised

oir.—Wayne Greizky, the ckey player, equalled the al League scoring record in 76th goal of the season monton Offers here. Phis is set the record in the season.—Agence France

hostile reception for some presumed injustice.

The shy, retiring Olympic skater one remembers of the Sixties, who would not have said boy to a guil, let alone a goose, has given war to a strong-willed young woman with a political phinomer that seems only maryinally more libertation than that of Artha the Hon. A woman who thinks that the present Prime Minister is too soft with nees in the Tory party is not likely to worry about a dissenting crowd in an ke rink, or a disapproving distant audience by way of television.

Given that Iron Lady background, and the fact that Miss Stapleford is inhibited in her relationables with the press by precise international Skating Union rules and imprecise conventions among officials at home, an interview at her elevant some London house tended to take an unexpected John McEress (US) ......... 163 50 

Hopkins and Rose in Welsh Youth squad

Jeff Hopkins, the Fulham full back, and David Rose, Millwall's midfield player, ade in the Welsh squad for the European Youth championship march against Holland at Cardiff on March 9.

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# Paying the penalty for breaking the rules

The penalty goal has come in for some harsh criticism this season. It seems to be playing an increasingly important role in deciding the fate of international kicked 19 points for England, in-cloding five pensities. At times the French seemed bewildered by the cream seemed bewildered by the decisions of the referce. Mr Rea, but they were undoubtedly guilty of too many infringements Herman France The value of a penalty (three points) is excessive, it is said, compared with only four points for a rry. Besides; many penalties are for technical offences. Hermas Evans, senior vice-president of the Welsh Rugby Union and a member of the IB, said: "Reducing the value of the penalty from three points to two is not necessarily the auswer". He does not believe that the flood

However, rules are made to be However, rules are made to be observed, as David Hands argued persuasively after Gwyn Evans had kicked six penattles in Wales's victory over France last month. Players cut corners and usually accept "philosophically the referee's decision against them, he wrote." of penalties in this season's five nations' champiorship will lead to a change in the scoring. that the International Wates that the International Board are unlikely to make any changes in the value of penaltres—perhaps this is not surprising after the manner of their win over the French. From the other side of the changel comes a chitch of recommendations to

France spurn chance

of experimenting

With an almost perceptible Gallic shrug the French selectors have made only two changes in personnel against Scotland at

nave made only two changes in personnel against Scotland at Murrayfield on March 6. Perhaps they feel there are few options open to them any longer, perhaps they feel that, on their record this season, they themselves may not be around much longer so why worry.

Defeat in Australia (twice), against New Zealand (twice), Wales and England has been their lot since the Grand Slam was won last season, relieved only by the traditional home win over Romania. With no chance of contesting this season's five nations' championship, the Scottish game might have been an occasion to experiment but the only changes

experiment but the only changes made to the XV beaten 27—15 by England last Saturday involve the return of Cremaschi and Reval-

bead prop capped four times against the International Board countries, and Revallier, the 33-tear-old lock from Grawhet, were the leading offenders in Cardiff

a change in the scoring.

"What needs to be looked at is the awarding of so many penaltics—why they are happening, and where", Mr Evans said. "There is a case now for only giving a penalty for foul play. Perhaps we should extend the free kick to cover all other offences. The lineout certainly needs to be examined again and laws 18 and 19 governing the dribble and the releasing of the ball are causing problems.

when France gave away a rash of penalties against Wales and Gwyn Evans meted out the appropriate punishment. Their return will give the French pack more physical presence without necessarily increasing the level of skill available.

Those who make way are Wolff, the only Béziers representative, and Euchet, the new cap against England. Cremachi is a straight swap for Wolff but Carpender moves from lock to No 8 to permit the return of Revaller. Joinel moves out to a flank, displacing the unlucky Buchet who may teel that if he was worth one cap, he might have been given the chance of a second.

The back division remains intact, a largely untested unit since its introduction against Wales. In the event of a comparatively loose game against the

The British Lions centre, David.

HOCKEY

Grounded: Niblett, the Oxford goalkeeper, has to take rearguard action against the light blues attack.

Oxford U

Cambridge U

Cambridge University inscribed their names for the third time on the Sunlight Bowl by beating Oxford in the annual hockey match at Lord's yesterday. Cambridge won 1—0 in the first year of sponsor-hip in 1980 and last year the teams shared bonours in a 2—2 draw.

a 2-2 draw.

At the interval, Cambridge led
2-1, their prosperity having been acquired through sustained attack in which Lewis and Atkinson played a prominent part. Their first goal was scored from a short to nothing. Then in the sixth minute of this period Cambridge, led by Scott, hunched an

Perhaps Sally Stapleford was not quite the right person to consult on the perils of judging an ice skating champiouship. A somen who turns out to be so fiercely indopendent, self-employed in business and self-sufficient in the home, hardly fills the bill of a timid creature covering in the face of a hostile reception for some presumed injustice.

The judgment of Stapleford

By Sydney Friskin

Cambridge make their corners count

assault which drew the goal-keeper out to clear the way at the expense of the long corner. The conversion of a long corner is a rare occurrence these days, but Lewis drove a right-hand shot into goal to get Cambridge 3—1 abead.

ahead.

In the last nine minutes the Cambridge attacks intensified and they were awarded four short corners in quick succession. The Oxford defence held out stobbornly, but a minute before the end another short corner led to a stramble and with Niblett out of ponition, Scott drove the ball into an empty goal.



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recalled by France. Full-back: M \_Sallefranque (Dax); Three quarters: S Blanco (Bayonne), P Perrier (Bayonne), C Belascain (Bayonne), L Pardo (Bayonne); Halfbacks: J-P Lescaboura (Dax); G Martinez (Stade Toulousain); Forwards: D Dubroca (Agen), P Dintrans (Tarbes), M Cre-Revallier (Grouhlet), L Rodrigi

they are not blimning the indisci-pline of their players or pernick-ety referces. The rules are to blame, they feel. So they are looking for a simplification of the laws and for referees to be brought into a pulloum line. mattered most and referees should not be allowed to take over it is not hard to know the



# Scotland's selectors play waiting game

yesterday 100k the same course or action.

The XV to ment France at Murrayfield on March, was to have been aunounced yesterday but before lunch the Scottish Ringby Union secretary John Law said that it would not be known until Sunday. He declined to be quoted on details but did say; "The selectors felt it wise to wait until after Saturday's league championship matches between Gala and Hawick and Watsonians and Heriot's before naming the session at Murrayfield on Sunday morning and the team will be known around lunchtime." There is some sense in waiting

It can also be argued that, having had nomerous squad practices and played four interestionals in the past six months, the selection committee convents the Mangregor and his four colleagues (including the Scottish coach Jim Telfer) should be sware of strength and weaknesses by now.

count im Teller; another be system of strength and swakenesses by now.

Yesterday afternoon there was suspicion that the Scots, once again out of the five nations championship running, may be about to make changes to what since the early days of last year's New Zealand nour, has been a settled team. This year's tour of Australia is much in Mr Teller's mind, and, although no sholekale alterations in the French style re expected; it will not be surprising if there are one or two experiments.

There have been criticisms of Robertson's defence and the Melrose man did miss a few tackies against the Irish. There could be at least one change in the second row as well; neither Tomes nor Cuthbertson had much auccest in Dublin.

# Clash of the English and Irish universities

him out of today's encounter with the Irish. Universities but may, prevent him from representing Exeter in the UAU final against Durham on March 10. Nevertheless, Exerci h Nevertheless, Exercy have three representatives in the English Universities 15 at Birkenhead Park today, among them the centre, Hogg, who missed the 50-7 defeat of the Welsh at Birmingham. His partner, Catrof Bristol, has been ill recently but the selectors hope he will be available since they are been to available since they are keen to do well against a powerful Irish Universities selection which originally included four full Irish caps in MacNefil Ringland.

cape in MacNefil Ringland, Hooks, and Lenfhau.

Ringland, however, received a hand injury a fortnight ago, which caused him to miss his country's triple crown win over Scotland last Saturday. Since fixtures resumed at student level between reland and England two years ago, the honours have stayed with the Irish, who won 12-8 in 1980 and 12-0 in 1981.

Durham have four representathe Irish, who won 12-8 in 1980 and 12-0 in 1981.

Durham have four representatives in the home side, including Henderson, the Rosslyn Park prop, another absence against Wales. The English back division should not lack for pace since Smith, who has played on the wing for Fylde, is moved to Indiback instead of the unavailable Martin of Bath.

Smith impressed many observers which his University initially played bin at fullback.

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# Players hogging more of television picture

Paris, Feb 23 — World teams 43 sional grand prix circuit. The is a critical state between of disputes among its governing hoodes. Politippe Chatrier, president of the International Tennis Federation, said this today after returning disagreements, over the training disagreements. The Association of Termis Fro-fastioness, who will withdraw from the council at the end of the year, have demanded 15 per-cent of income from television rights, he said like believed this was the start of an attempt by the players organization to take commit of the lugrative profescontrol of the lucrative profes-

decided not to enser 10 circuit tournaments this year, the arinimous set by the council for proclass players who want to avoid having to play in qualifying. Air Chatrier said the council had reaffirmed their decision that the Swade would have to compete in the qualifying rounds of grand prix tournaments he did compete in.—Agenca Franca-Presse.

# Coaching for the novices

On May 7 when the Lawn Tennis Association launch their nationwide campaign to promote short tennis as a same for younger school children, an older achieme to attract young, sters to the real thing will already be in progress.

This is the annual grassroots occaring programme sponsored by the Frudential Assurance Company, administered by the Lawn Tennis Foundation, and designed primarily for novices.

The besis of the scheme is their games and perhaps moving on to junior competition. The schools, libraries, or the Foundation of the group coaching from qualified, professionals at more than ages of the grassicance towards in the schools, libraries, or the Foundation of the Foundation—for six separate hours of group coaching from qualified professionals at more than a special encouragement to those of the group coaching from qualified professionals at more than a exceptional apritude for the game.

# BADMINTON

By Richard Eaton

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England's bevy of sond young
players have another chance today
and for the next few days to show
whether their promise will mrn.
England into a world power. England thro a world power.
England should win the challenge match against Japan and
Sweden, spomsored by Crest
Hotels, at Huddersfield today and
tomorrow, as well at the five
internationals against Japan that
follow. A more important question
is how well they can win. is how well they can win.

Steve Baideley and Nick Yates, both 21, Andy Goode, 22, and Martin Dew, 23, have timed their improvement perfectly for inclusion in England's Thomas Cuplean in two months' time. Whether the improvement is enough for England to cope with the Balaysians, who have spenta fortune on their Thomas Cup preparations is another matter.

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At least the menus seem good. England have wen the Creat Chellenge for the last two years. England have won the Creat Chellenge for the last two years. England have won the Creat Chellenge for the last two years. England have wen the first to years. England have wented his continued for the last way were house of the R & A tolif returned from the first most him and the first and she coursely be to the first and the coursely come the first englishman to reach the final of the Japanese forms and the final of the Japanese forms. As if contention for Thomas Cap places were not enough, there is more than £5,000 at stake in the next couple of days.

Ray Stevens, the England No 1, passed Tony Jordan's record of the R & A tolif how both last polices for the final of the Japanese forms and the coursely comment of the first to submit an entry for the 1821 championship, while kells deached by the first to submit an entry for the 1821 championship with lew. This has caused realignment to go through the promising round Peter Jacobsen for the first to go the first to go

GOLF

# Royal Troon will draw Americans :: By Lewine Mair

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With Bill Rogers having won the Open at Royal St George's last year, the R & A are convinced that there will be no shortage of up and coming Americans unxloas to compete in this year's Open at Royal Troon yesterday, the R & A agreed that there had been adwerse comment over the past few years concerning how much the Open week was apt so cost players from overses. But they were able to cite a former American amateur champion whose total bulkay for Royal St George's was \$2,000 and who had, woluntered that this unit was only \$300 more than it would have cost him had he played in the concurrent professional event. In the States. All of which is doubly interesting when one considers how, in this year's chain ploushing the man finishing as low as 15th will pocket-£1,000.

a hanging judge.

During a free programme she uses a form of chorthand to identify the various elements of every skater's performance. By the time the four-and-a-half minutes are over, four for women, the line of thereglyphics, resembling an extract from some abstrace maintenaiteal PhD thesis, can stretch to a foot in length, followed by a pithy appealed ranging from "buring" to "dynamic".

# Young England players can point the way

pulsory figures, whereas his overall position was as low as tenth. But on both occasions her view was endorsed by the Swiss, Maja Reimbart. Unformulately, 15U rules forbid her from saying how she reached her minority conclusions.

Up among the hierarchy of skaters, she recalls in the displeasure of the British press, and comp followers for giving Robin Cousins a complaint of for his second figure during the European championships at Zagreb in 1979, when her colleagues were marking him as high as 1.7. With no other judge to offer corroboration, she received it from a still more acceptable source. Caralus himself declared afterwards that Miss Stapleford had got it right, it was "a rotten figure".

The Olympic short programme at Lake Placid had also put her in an emberrassing position. Charles Tickner, the American champion, had charly falled with the combination jump, landing the statetory double loop forwards. That required an immediate penalty of 0.5 of a mark, regardless of what he made of the six other elements. Miss Superiord's 5.0 for the local hero evoked a goldy chorus of dissent, especially when viewed against other marks ranging as high as a landirross 5.8. She might at that moment have been regarded as a hanging judge.

Durice a free programme she uses a form of

**FISHING** 

# Taking a great step forward for Atlantic Salmon

By Conrad Voss Bark Fishing Correspondent A mild cheer ought to greet the a a rather formidable-looking underwater insert known as a stonefly creeper, made in latex and coloured in natural colours that made it look so real that one felt slightly embarrassed that it

A mild cheer ought to greet the news that as a result of a conference in Reykjavik a new organization is to be set up to conserve Atlantic salmon stocks. Mild, because those with some experiences of conventions and laws of the sea in times past—no doubt Iceland among them—have foundthe aims admirable, though the power to achieve them less so.

However, there we are. The countries at the conference were Canada, Denmark (for the Faroes), the EEC, Iceland, Norway, Sweden and The United States, who decided to adopt a convention on conservation which will have to be ratified by the governments of each country, and to set up a new body to be called the North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization with beadquarters in Edinburgh.

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burgh.

The organization, presumable NASCO, will be funded by the individual member states. The aims include the conservation, restoration and rational management of salmon stocks which migrate beyond areas of fisheries

gement of salmon stocks which migrate beyond areas of fisheries jurisdiction of coastal states throughout their migratory route. Three area commissions will be able to make regulations, and this seems to be where conflict will occur.

Hopes ought to be fairly high that at least something has been started. Mr Hadoke, of our own privately funded Atlantic Salmon Trust, says it is "a great step forward" but clearly he remains cautious until be sees and knows more. The Trust's appeal for film to "Sawe our Salmon" some time back did not do all that well, notting just over £350,000.

About 120 years ago Dr

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About 120 years ago Dr Cuiliffe, an ebullient South Molton surgeon, and by all accounts a kindly man who fished the Mole and the Bray, wrote that angiers were wasting their time if they tried to tie artificial flies in exact imitation of water-bred flies and insects because it was impossible. Fly dressers ever since have tried to prove him wrong.

The latest specimen of the exact imitation school — it so happens from America — arrived on my desk the other day. It was

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year boycott, after a 1972 incident when they alleged that Dutch tactics in the last mile cost one of their riders overall

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CYCLING

By John Wilcockson

One of its most mountainous routes for 20 years have been announced for the 1982 Tour of Italy, the Giro d'Italis, which should favour Frenchman Bernard Hinault in his quest to win it for a second time.

The 2,480 miles-long routs, divided into 22 daily stages, is recarded as the toughest since

june 6, the course encompasses the length of the Italian penin-sula, including three stages in

at as the to regarded as the tolognest ance 1964. Starting with a 10 miles team time-trial at Milan on May 13 and ending with a 26 miles individual time-trial into Turin on

Mountainous Tour

of Italy planned

# Wayward Lad an Ascot topper

By Michael Seely

Wayward Lad can continue
Michael Dickinson's remarkable
run of big race successes this
season by winning the Lambert
and Butler Final at Ascot this
afternoon. Saint Fillans and
Captain John both have useful
form in top-class handicap
company, and Fifty Dollars More
is a novice of infinite promise.
However, if Wayward Lad can
recapture the ability that saw
him annihilate a useful field in
the Tote Silver Trophy on this
course in November he will be
desperately hard to overcome.
In his most recent race, at
Cheltenham, Wayward Lad was a
bitter disappointment when finishing last of three behind Lesley
Ann in the Tote Double Steeplechase over three miles. However,
this performance was too bad to
be true and the beaten favourite
was found to have a low blood

captain John, the winner of three steeple chases earlier this season, acquinted himself nobly when running Night Nurse to two and a half lengths in the Mandarin Steeplechase at Newbury. Michael Mouskos's eightyear-old then blotted his copybook when running so badly behind Bregawn in the Peter Marsh Steeplechase at Haydock Park. However, this talented young horse's confidence will have been boosted by his fine run over hurdles at Newbury, where over hurdles at Newbury, where he finished runner-up to the improving Everett.

Fifty Dollars More looked to have the Sapling Novices Steeple-chase at the last Ascot meeting at his mercy when falling at the final fence. Sailor's Return, the subsequent winner of that race, gave the form a boost when beating Golden Vow at Nottingham last Saturday. However, even with the inimitable John Francome in the saddle, Fred Winter's seven-year-old may lack the experience of his rivals.

The day's best bet must be over hurdles at Newbury, where was found to have a low blood count on his return to Yorkshire. Wayward Lad has worked well at Harewood recently and is thought to be back to his peak.

The headstrong Saint Fillans ran the race of his life when chasing home Bregawn in the Freshfields Holiday Handicap Steeplechase at Kempton Park.

That performance satisfied his trainer, Maurice Camacho that Saint Fillans was good enough to tackle today's exalted company.

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At Huntingdon yesterday Fred Winter said that Midnight Court, the winner of the 1978 Chelten-ham Gold Cup would tackle Night. Nurse, the hot favourite for this year's race, in the Pennine year's race, in the Pennine Steeplechase at Doncaster on Saturday. Midnight Court showed something of his old fire when winning a hunter-chase at Newbury recently, but as Winterpointed out: "This is the only way to find out whether it is worthwhile going to Cheltenham. Midnight Court is also in a hunter chase at Kempton the same afternoon, but provided that both meetings are on I think we will go to Doncaster". we will go to Doncaster".

Winter also confirmed that Derring Rose would be ridden by John Francome in the Champion Hurdle. "The old fellow is really.

well. He is going to run at Kempton at the weekend. I only hope he does not decide to pull himself up?" Winter and Francome were in Irresistible form, the pair landing a treble by winning the Ward Hill Top Table Hurdle with Carved Opal and two of the three divisions of the Stevenage Novices Hurdle with One Armed Bandir and Young Dusky.

Dusky.

Because of frost it was only after two inspections that the goafter two inspections that the goahead to race was given at about
one o'clock. The first race, the
Jim Holden Novices Steeplechase
was put back to two o'clock.
After Coin Tinkler and Chance
Command had won a race in
which five of the 10 starters had
failed to complete the course, a
deputation of the senior jockeys
told the stewards that in their
opinion the steeplechase course
was in a dangerous condition.

The three stewards then took
the most sensible course, they
abandoned the remaining steeplechases and postponed a decision
about the rest of the card until
after the running of the first
division of the novices burdle.

By far the most exciting finish
of the day was seen in the top
table hurdle. Those arch rivals

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Fred Winter: three winat Huntingdon

Francome and Peter Scudamore were seen at their strongest and most determined on Carved Opal and Palatine as they drove for the winning post locked together. Carved Opal snatched the verdict by a head.

The first division of the novices hurdle was won by Funny Spring, who is trained by Gavin Pritchard-Gordon and was ridden by Steve Smith-Eccles. Funny Spring's jumping tipped the scales in his favour and after making most of the running had enough left in reserve Francome and Peter Scudamore

**Ascot** and Catterick threatened by frost

Today's meetings at Ascot and Catterick Bridge are both subject to early morning inspections. At Ascot the clerk of the course, Captain Nicholas Beaumont, said, "Frost is again forecast, but provided there is a rise in temperature this morning racing should go ahead".

Prospects are not so good for Catterick, where there is heavy frost in the ground. There are no problems for today's other scheduled meeting, Folkestone.

Yesterday's Sedgefield meeting was cancelled because of frost—the seventy-eighth to be lost this scason.

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If the Triumph hurdle hope Goldspun will not run before Cheltenham next month, his trainer, David Nicholson, said yesterday.

The four-year-old, second favourite for the race, misses an favourity contracts to day, and access to the second favourity and the second favourit Ascot engagement today and Nicholson said: "The horse was cast on Saturday night,

# Ascot, featuring Lambert and Butler Chase final

Tote Double: 2.40 and 3.45. Treble: 2.5, 3.15 and 4.15 [Television (BBC2): 1.30, 2.5, 2.40 and 3.15 races]

1.30 DURHAM RANGER HURDLE (Div. I: novices: £1,690: 2m) (10

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| 4  | 00000         | SUPPER'S READY (C Cyzor) C Cyzor 4-10-8 MALFORD LAD (R Hawker) R Hawker 4-10-4 E Weite 4 |
| 8  | _             | RIVERS LAD (Mrs & Harty) G Baiding 4-10-4 B Reilly                                       |
| _  | 6-4 Hall Fre  | m, 7-4 Dr Steve, 7 Supper's Ready, 10 Cavairyman, 14 Sirpette, 16 Rivers Lad,            |

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40 LAMBERT & BUTLER PREMIER CHASE FINAL (£15,281: 21/m)

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Harewood harrier: Wayward Lad soars over a fence at Cheltenham last month. He finished last of three behind the other horse in the picture, Lesley Ann, but was found to have a low blood count.

Fifty Dollars More, toll at Ascot lest time out Earlier (11st 7th) boat Deep Sound, 4th (W) by 3'bl, 12 ran. Newbury, Oct 23, 2'ym, good. Pretty Hopefal (11st 5th) nover closer than 5th when bin over 17 by Sweeping Along (gave 90), 8 ran. Kernston Dec 4, 2m 41, good to soft. Saint Fillians, see Wayward Lad, but 5i by Bregsam (W), with Night Nurse (gave 20th) 2 away, 3rd. Kempton, Feb 6, 3m, good to soft. Wayward Lad, (11st 10th) won 5t, 4t, from Silversmith (not 17th) and Kitidoven (not 14th). Ascot, 2'ym Nov 21, with Saint Fillians (10th) behind when toll 11th and Earthstopper (not 12th) behind when u r lest. Lest of three, bin 22'hi to Lesney Ann (W). Chellerham, Jan 30, 3m 11, good to soft.

Wayward Lad should make his class toll.

3.15 HARY MARY HURDLE (Handicap: £3,140: 3m) (16)

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| 03  | 10-2120        | ROADSTER (C Nash) P Bailey 6-11-6  |
| 04  | 00133          | TRU MAR (D) (Cold Shield Windows) Mrs M Rimer 5-11-7                       |
| 05  | 1-00004        | FARMER (CD) (R Hawker) R Hawker 7-11-7                                     |
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| 13  |                | FLASHY'S PAL (M. Marsh) J Gifford 5-10-4                                   |
| 14  |                | MAN ON THE RUN (D) (M Channon) J Baker 7-10-1                              |
| 16  | 04/0400        | SKYLINE DRIVE (Mrs. J. Ridout) A Ridout 6-10-0                             |
|     |                | D. Misholty 7  |
| 16  | 001034         | WIMSEY (A Backwith) R Hoad 5-10-0P Nicholis 7                              |
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4.15 DURHAM RANGER HURDLE (Div. II: novices: £1,643: 2m) (9)

# **Folkestone**

1.30 NORTH FORELAND HURDLE (Div. 1: novices:

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| Ē   | 000   | HENRY FORD Jackins 5-11-4M Harrington 4   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10  | 0.000   | MY BOY BOY H O'Nell 5-11-4                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 12  | 0000  | ON WE GO Beasley 5-11-4                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13  | 0.004   | ORANGE TOWN MAN Browning 8-11-4           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 14  | 0630  | PELARO A Jarvis 6-11-4Burke               |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16  | -0000   | RENDEZVOUS Long 6-11-4                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17  | . P   | TARTAN ARMY A WINES S-11-4                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18  | P-010   | THE TOTAL Butler 5-11-4                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21  | p000  | GRYLOS Jorgensen 4-10-3P Neynes           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23  | 00  | SACHA'S SONG J King 4-10-3Candy           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6.9 | 5-2 Tangle Briar, 11-4 Racycled, 4 Brogse, 5 Pelaro, 10 Barb's<br>sea, Henry Ford, 14 Orange Town Man, 15 others. |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|     | inner Son   | 1 14 Orange Town Man, 15 others.          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - C | ,   | d 4.4.4                                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

10-3 Mr Batnec, 9-2 Flying Romany, 6 Kas, 8 a Swell, 10 Mengulia, 12 Landing Party, 16 others,

3.30 VARNE HURDLE (Selling handicap: £648; 2m

| sula, including three stages in Sicily.   | Beell, Henry Ford, 14 Orange Town Men, 18 others.   |
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| The most difficult of 11 mountain stages is the penulti-<br>mate stage between Cuneo and          | 2.0 GOODWINS CHASE (Handicap: £1,238: 2½r<br>(10)   |
| Pinerolo, 158 miles long and crossing five passes on the Indian-Fench border. These in-           | 2 03-0u PCZZA Gaselee 11-11-11 Lini<br>8 2110 BASH STRIEET RID host 7-11-3 Goldson<br>9 phip RATHAM SIR VARDON Reed 5-10-13 |
| clude the famous Alpine cols of<br>Vars, l'Izoard and Mont Genevre.                               | 7 12D WHITE HERON Gracel 8-10-12 Sept. Sept. 2510 PLAKLAND PALACE Morey 6-10-10 (7 est)                                     |
| It was on this route in 1949<br>that the legendary Fausto Coppi                                   | 9 2931 EXCELSION H O'Net 5-10-10 (10 ex) M Hammond  |
| raced home 12 minutes clear ofd<br>his runner-up, Gino Bartali, to                                | 10 Off4 DEVA: 38 800 R Shuse 11-10-8  |
| win his third Giro. On the same<br>roads in 1964, Jacques Anquetil<br>of France, consolidated his | 15 0324 GUSSAMDO Wise 9-10-0  |
| overall leadership on a stage won by Franco Bitossi, of Italy.                                    | 2.30 VALENTINE GORTON HURDLE (4.44  |
| Hinard described the cooles of l  | I 6.30 TALEMINE UNIT UNI . MUNULE (4.44   |

by Franco Bitossi, of It Binault described the such a long, mountainous stage as "diabolical", while the Tour de France organiser, Jacques Goddet, was saddened by the announcement of such an "enor-£2,616: 2m 110yd) (5) 1135 OR STEVE Mrs N Smith 10-7 ...
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110yd) (17)

mous" stage.

There will be 180 riders, from 18 teams, and the race is expected to be a battle between Hinault and the leading Italians. 3.0 CAP GRIS NEZ (Handicap: £1,324: 3½m) (10) 

De Rooy alone in dash

The cream of United States riders are expected for this year's Milk Race from May 23 to June 5. The Americans have said they would not take part unless they could send their best men. This year they are among the first to accept the invitation.

The French are also planning to increase their entry. They returned last year after a nine-year boycott. after a 1972 Theo de Rooy of the Nether-lands attacked five kilometres from the finish to win the Laigueglia Trophy open road race in Laigueglia yesterday. Michel Laurent, of France, has won the Tour de la Méditerranée, the opening event of the European season, for the second

Final standings: 1,M Lsurent (France), 14 4:08; 2, G Lemond (US), 14:54:32; 3, R Grub (Baby), 14:54:36; 4, G Knetemann plethersmids, 14:54:36; 5, J van den Broucke (Belgkmin, 14.55:39; British: 7, G Jonec, 14:55:54, 8, P Shoruren, 14:56:06.

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3 Errentry, 4 Long John, 5 Opening Night, 13-2 Summercowe, 7 on Flash, 5 Manares, 10 Kascins. 12 Giardonarco. 15 others.

4.0 MANSTON CHASE (Novice handicap: £1,172: 2½m) (B)

3 Kalkahannith, 107-2 Hentold Lad, 5 Melerek, 11-2 Cekteren, 5 Capteln Shadow, 10 Merry Meedow, 12 Shackellon Filer, 14 Bobines, 25 Pride Of Bernis.

4.30 NORTH FORELAND HURDLE (Div II: 9717: 2m 51) (8)



Folkestone selections 1.30 Tangle Briar, 2.0 Falkland Palace, 2.30 Dr. Stave, 3.0 Flying Romany, 3.30 Summercove, 4.0 Kalkashandi, 4.30 Papal Knight.

Catterick selections

1.15 Sea Merchant is specially recommended, 2.15 Rosle's Secret, 2.45 Clever meral, 3.15 Gray Heat, 3.45 Abersing, 4.15 Aversun, 4.45 Ardar.

Ascot selections By Michael Seely LONG JOHN Burgoyne 7-11-10 Michaely 1.30 Dr Steve. 2.05 Richdee. 2.40 Wayward Lad. 3.15 TORNADO PRINCE R Advins 10-11-3 R Ahthas OPERANG WIGHT C Write 8-11-2 Steve. 2.05 Richdee. 2.40 Wayward Lad. 3.15 Hill Of Stane. 3.45 Tiepolino. 4.15 Brass Change.

# Catterick Bridge

1.15 WENSLEY HURDLE (Div I: 4-y-o novices:£569: 

1.45 GRETA BRIDGE CHASE (handicap: £1,217:

2m) (7) 10-32 SWIFT ALMANY (C,D) R Robinson 8-11-12 M Per

7-4 See Marchent, 5-2 Why So, 5 Polare Smartle, 7 Swift Alberry, 10 lorsen King, 12 Benedor, 15 others.

2.15 RIPON HURDLE (selling handicep: £842: 2m)

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|   | 0-000 | TOM HORN (D) J Berry 5-11-1                   |
|   | 0031  | GO LIGHTLY Crumo 5-11-1                       |
| i | 4-230 | ROSE'S SECRET A Smith 5-10-11                 |
| Ė | 3000  | MALCONS PRIDE (C,D) V Thompson 8-10-10        |
| • |       | G Gray 5                                      |
|   | 0010  | FAILIG SCHMELL (C.D) Wies 6-10-8 Hansen       |
|   | 2/000 | RED WELL F Taylor 11-10-7Kettlewell           |
|   | Quo-Q | THE BAY WEASEL Haley 9-10-7F Postal 6         |
|   | D4Cu- | LIKELY BOY (C.D) V Thompson 9-10-7 T G Davies |
| , | 4020/ | SUVIEL R Heigh 10-10-6 Kell 6                 |
|   | 0000  | LADJES MAN (D.B) Clay 7-10-6                  |
|   | 0000  | POLIPLYER Harmon 4-10-5 P Harmon 5            |
|   | ODD-9 | NAYAL WHESTLER (C,D,B) Fleming 11-10-2        |
|   | ۵.00  | · M Brennan                                   |
| ı | 1-030 | GIN TRACK (D) Walton 8-10-0                   |
|   | -0000 | CLAYMORE (D) Townson 5-10-0                   |
| i | 0020  | STUBBLINGTON GREEN (III) D Yeoman 5-10-0      |
|   |       | A MacWallama 5                                |
| • | 0000  | YOLANSO (E) Asquitty 6-10-0                   |
| 1 | -0400 | BOREAS (C,D,S) Mrs M Nesbit 7-10-0 Popper     |
| 1 | 2004  | EDWARD'S CORNER T Barnes 4-10-0               |
|   |       | D Johnstone 5                                 |
|   | 0040  | MALSEEDY Stubbs 4-10-0                        |
|   | 0.000 | WORKER CARLIST WOMEN'S 7-17-7                 |

2.45 BRETTANBY CHASE (Handicap: 92,653: 3m

3.15 WENSLEY HURDLE (Div II: 4-y-o novices

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05 Gray Heel, 7-2 Reciteus Captein, 4 Their's Magic, 6 Casel Royale, 8 Celtic Pride, 10 Lothian Empress, 12 others.

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| 8        | 00-0p        | BOOGY STREET A Smith 8-11-2   |
| 12<br>17 | 1000         | GURSKITH R Dixon 9-11-2   |
| 20<br>24 | 2413         | MASTER PIPER Jefferson 6-11-2   |
| 25<br>26 | 00/0p        | SHIMING BANN Denys Smith 7-11-2 C Gra   |
| 27       | 3024         | DERGHET Camacho 5-10-7 A Brow<br>store, 9-4 Abersing, 5 Master Piper, 7 Saucy Moon, 1 |
|          | . 14 other   |   |



4.45 WENSLEY HURDLE (Div. III: 4-6-a novices: £563: 2m) (9)

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| - 5        |          | DELPRE G Richards 10-10                           |
| 5          | 0010     |   |
| 7          | 00       | PATCHWORK SAMT F Watson 10-10D Dutto              |
| 8          | 40       | REIDOR W Haigh 10-10P Charl                       |
| 9          | GOD      | RUMASA T Barnes 10-10                             |
| 10         |          | SCHWARZENBERG G Richards 10-10                    |
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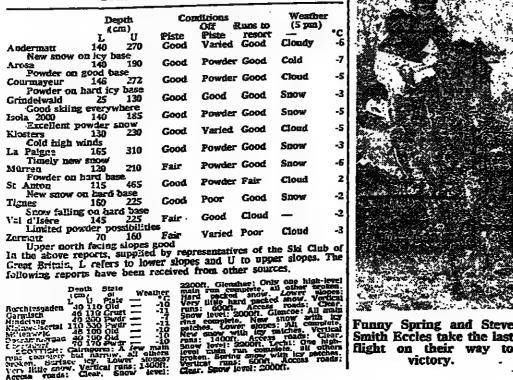
# **Huntingdon results yesterday**

1,30 (2.1) JN HOLDEN CHASE (DN £1,654: 3m 100yd)

CHANCE COMMAND, ch g by London Gazette — Chancer (Lord Rousidshay) 7-11-1 C Tinktor (8-1) Crafty Look. — J Bartor (8-1) Casheedal — R Hyell (12-1) 3

TOTE Win, £1.05, places, 389 40p, 20p. Dual forecast £10.38, CSF: £7.26, P. Calver at Ripon, 194, 155, Jacks Pride 13-8 fee, Per Methagh (11-2) 4th, 10 ran, NR; Was I Right, Another Bresze, hory Trust, Last Rainbow, Sk Bountind, Upham Pleasure.

2.0 (2.36) STEVENAGE HURDLE (Div & novices: £690: 2m 200yd)



victory.

Funny Spring and Steve Smith Eccles take the last

TOTE: Win 32p; places, 11p, 20p, 17p. Dust F: 28p. CSF: 64p. F Winter at Lambourn, 2 kH, 2 kH. Harvester Glory (20-1) 4th. 17 ran. 4.0 (4.4) WARD HILL HURDLE. (Handlesp: flight on their way to

4.30 (4.32) WARD HILL TOP TABLE HURDLE. (4-y-o: £2,649. 2m 200yd) CARVED OPAL or c, by Arch Sculptor — Pale Maid (Mrs G. Abecassis) 10-7 J Francome (9-2 P. Scudemore (14-1 TOTE: Win 57p, places 15p, 28p, 20p. Dual 1 52.60. CSF: 27.07 F. Whiter at Lambourn. Hd, 16l. Weevers Point 13-8 fav. The Disco Dago (7-1) 4th. 10ran. NR: Kings Parade. 5.0 (5.2) STEVENAGE HURDLE (DW St. £690: YOUNG DUSKY br g by Dusky Boy — The White Lark (T Ludlow) 6-11-6 Francome (4-5 tay) 1 Helexian — Serve Knight (6-1) 2 Proofen Prince Jar N Twiston Darles (33-1) 3

PURELY SPRING, b g by Phoingold — Lotus (Mrs D Zurcher) 7-11-6 S Smith Ecclos ☐ William Hill have cut Carved TOTE: Win. 47p. places, 22p. 17p. 11p. Dual forecast: 61p. CSF: 21.21. G Pritchard-Gordon et Nevementet. Hi, 31 Mec a Delight (5-1) 4th. 12 rm. NR: Fugacious. Opal's Triumph Hurdle odds to 33-1, from 50-1, following the horse's head victory at Hunting-don yesterday. 

Cowley dominate Sevenoaks School, were totally 4.D (4.4) WARD HILL SURDLE (Handicapy \$1,533.2 %(n))

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TOTE: Win 51.01 phases: 34p, 10p, 35p, 44p. Dual forecast: \$1.80 CSF: 25.71.

Triansit \$23.30 it Michicless at Bour-on-the-world. 1, 8, Turbal Bond, Sambadin 5-1 leave. Migratour (25-1) 4th. 17 ran NR. Recycled, Supreme Vista, Old Cantle Line.

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Silverton, Thorverton; Southdown & Eridge TOTE: Win, 22p, places, 10p, 21p, 78p. ual F: 85p, CSF: 85p, F. Winter at subourn, 31, 31. Noon Gun (2-1) 4th, 8 ran. 20 Cambridgeshire, Horscheath; Cottes-more, Garthorpe; Dart Vale & Haldon & South Pool Harriera, Tohea, Gerth & South Berks, Tweeseldon; Gelligher Farmers, Nelson; Golden Valley, Brownerdine; Haydon, Corbridgo; Holderness, Dalhon Park; New Forest Joint Hunts, Larkhal? Pegasus Club (Barr), Kimble; Gusstock Stoghounde, Welltor; Sir W. W. Wyen's, Eston Hall; Tickham, Detling; Warwickshire, Mollington. ☐ Master Asphalt will be the Irish trainer, Frank Oakes's, First runner in England at Kempton Park on Friday, Paul Barton rides.

STATE OF GOSIG (official). Ascett good, precustionary inspection 7.30cm. Catterlak Bridge good to firm, precastionary inspection 7.30cm. Folkestone: Chase, good to acit. Hurdie: soft, No inspection; planned. Towarrow: Wernicht beary. Whickinton: good

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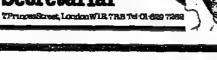
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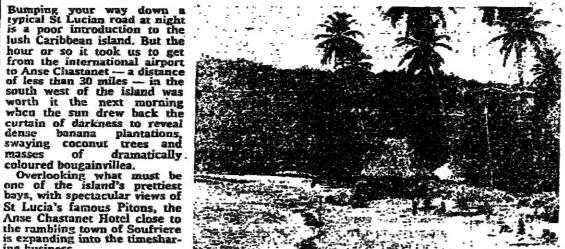
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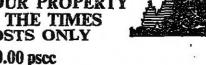
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# BBC 2

6.40 Open University: Maths: Maps. 7.05 Argument on Television: 1. 7.30 Kepter's War. 7.55 Closedown. 10.20 Gharbar. A magazine programme of interest to Asian women. 10.45 Closedown. 11.00 Play School. For the under five the under fives presented by Carol Cheff and Stuart McGugan. The story this morning is Fish Fly by Anne Callone. 11.25 Closedown. 12.30 Open University: Developing Mathematical Thinking: Measuring. 1.20 Closedown. 1.20 Racing from Ascot. Richard Pitman introduces the Ascot. Richard Pitman introduces the Durham Ranger Novices' Hurdle (1.30); the Peter Ross Novices' Chase (2.05); the Lambert and Butter Premier Chase Final (2.40); and the Hairy Mary Handicap Hurdle (3.15). The commentators are Julian Wilson and John Hammer. 3.30 Closedown. 3.55 Landscapes of England. Professor W G. Hoskins explains the reasons why Cornwall is so distinctive (r).

4.20 Dayan. Part two of the three-part profile of the Israeli soldier and statesman (r).

5.40 Laurel and Hardy in Towed in

6.00 The Water Margin. Adventures of ancient Chinese knights.
6.45 The Making of Markind. Part 4. Richard Leakey traces the story of Peking Man (r).

7.40 The Master Game. Jeremy James introduces the chest

Adorjan of Hungary,

8.10 Chronicle: Riot. Simon Winchester takes a look at

Christiansen and Andras

match between America's Larry

5.05 Gillian Tingay (harp) plays Bochse's Study No 1 (r). 5.10 Body and Mind. Are we

the Hole\* (1933).

7.35 News with subtitles.

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9.30 For Schools: Magic. For the hearing impaired. 9.47 Mims by Marcel Marceau. 10.04 How petrol and oil are obtained. 10.16 France and the French way of life. 10.38 Problems encountered in the early part of marriage. 11.02 Manufacturing steel in Sheffield. 11.20 Foot care. 11.39 The beginning of the National Health Sorvica. 12.00 Windfalls. A new series for preschool children presented by Jenny Kenna. 12.10 Rainbow. Learning with puppets. 12.30 Morrie Memories introduced by Roy Hudd. Featuring 'B' Movie westerns and Diana Dors. 1.00 News. 1.20 Thames news 1.30 Take the High Road. Drama series set on a Highland estate. 2.00 After Noon Plus. Mary Parkinson and Key Avila check on five people who have up smoking a year ago. 2.45 The Six Million Doflar Man. A laser beam threatens a group of prime ministers at a Parts conference. Can Steve locate the source in time? (7). 3.45 Definition. Pete Murray and Aimi MacConaki are the celebrities in Don Moss's crossword quiz.

# 3.55 Play School. For the under fives (shown earlier on BBC 2). 4.20 Cartoon: Pixie and Dixle in Good Good Fairy (r).

- 4.25 Jackanory.Cofin Jeavons with part three of Grimm Grange (r). 4.40 Take Hart. Tony Hart with a drawing
- programme for the young. 5.00 John Craven's Newsround. 5.05 Grandad starring Clive Dunn. 5.35 Ivor the Engine.
- 5.35 Nor the English.
  5.40 News with Richard Baker 6.00 South East at Six 6.25 Natiowide presented by David Dimbleby and Sue Lawley.
- 6.50 Rolf Harris Cartoon Time.Two featuring Droopy and one each from Bugs Bunny and Tom and Jerry. 7.20 The British Rock and Pop Awards. The results of the nationwide polling introduced
- by Sue Cook and Dave Lee Travis. 8.10 Battey. The story of the rise and fall of Battey Variety Club narrated by Michael Parkinson. Among those singing its praises are Shirley Bassey, Lufu and Vera Lynn.

9.00 News with John Humphrys. 9.25 Film: The Yakuza (1974) starring Robert Mitcham. He plays Harry Kilmer, a former private detective who is hastily called to Tokyo by a wealthy ship-owner whose daughter has been kidnapped by the Yakuza — the Japanese equivalent of the Malia. Kitmer is aided in his task by a renegade member of the organization, Tanaka Ken, and the two of them set about bringing the perpetrators to justice — a task that is both bloody and brutal.

11.13 News headlines. 11.15 Parkinson. International singing star Tony Bennett is a guest tonight. He will sing three songs and talk about his forthcoming eleven-concert four of Britain which begins on Friday. Others appearing are ballet dancer Rudolph Nurreyev and Miss Bluebell, the learndary to indicate of the week! the legendary toundress of the world famous Parisian dancing group. 12.10 Weather.

Britain's riots from the time of the 1714 Riot Act. 9.00 M\*A\*S\*H. Due to a shortage of volunteers Hawkeye and Hunnicut become "morale officers". In the meantime

9.25 Nancy Astor. Nancy is now Mrs. Shaw and the bad footing on which her marriage started continues as husband Robert turns to drink, gambling and illicit affairs. Divorce is decided upon, but only on the grounds of Robert's adultery.

10.45 Newsnight. 11.30 Interval. 11.40 Open University: World Food Production. Ends at 12.05.

4.15 Cartoon: Dr Snuggles (r).

4.20 Madabout. Basil Brush and Denise Coffey reveal their hobbies to Michael Bentine.

Last in the series. 4.45 Arthur of the Britons. A former wild man who has become a Christian returns to his clan and becomes even more of a nuisance

5.15 Mr Merlin. Comic adventures of a wizard disguised as a garage manager. s. 6.00 Thames news.

6.25 Help! Viv Taylor Gee with news of Labyris, a teminist mini-cab service set up to protect women from attack during the late evening. Crossroads. Kevin steels himself to tell Carole that they must go their separate

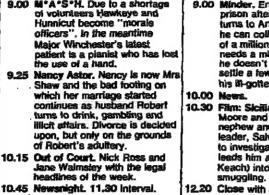
7.00 This is your Life. Earnonn Andrews with another surprised celebrity.

7.30 Coronation Street. Mrs Stockwell meets Elsia Tanner. 8.00 Starburst. A nine-act variety show. Among those appearing are Helen Gelzer, the exciting star of Bubbling Brown Sugar and guitarist Michael Conn.

9.00 Minder. Emie Dodds is released from prison after serving fourteen years. He turns to Arthur for a short-term loan before he can collect his hidden foot of a quarter of a million pounds. In the meantime he needs a minder and Terry is chosen. What he doesn't know is that Ernie wants to settle a few old scores before he collects

10.30 Film: Sicilian Cross (1978) starring Roger Moore and Stacy Keach. Moore plays the nephew and lawyer of San Francisco Malia leader, Salvatore Francesco. Moore is sent to investigate a mysterious incident which leads him and his friend Charlie (Stacy Keach) into the twilight world of drug smuggilne.

12.20 Close with a poetry reading by Robert





Max Wall: Minder

#### ● Roy Hudd's request programme for cinema buffs MOVIE MEMORIES (ITV, not Angila, 12.30pm) begins a welcome second series today with the accent on those wonderful B feature westerns. The viewers have

a delightfully catholic taste and we Michael Parkinson is the narrator are treated to clips of their choice for BATLEY (BBC 1 8.10pm) a which include the magnificent Buck Jones in his 1941 film Forbidden Trails and an extremely young looking John Wayne in Three Texas Sleers, one of the forty he made petore he achieved tame in Stagecoach. For those of us who Hudd invites Colin Momber, secretary of the B-Western Society

the reasons for its decline.

• I THINK I WAS BORN TRILLING to give us details of his Society. In the second half the indestructible Diana Dors reminds us that she was not just a pretty face but an actress of some talent with an excerpt from the 1956 film, Yield to the Night, in

orisoner. Marvellous entertainment but at an inaccessible hour for most

documentary about the legendary Batley Variety Club, once heralded as Britain's Cesar's Palace. It was opened in 1967 by fairground and bingo operator, James Corrigan, and attracted top names in the entertainment world. For ten years it now defunct. The programme traces

(Radio 4:7.45pm) is a documentary about the Victorian prime donna, Adeline Patti. She began her career as a precocious seven-year old singing one of the more difficult arias from Bellini's Norma and by

#### the time she was sixteen the Madrid-born singer had made her professional opera debut, appearing in the New York production of Lucis di Lammermoor. From this auspicious beginning she went from strength to strength, eventually

becoming one of the most highly paid performers in opera. Her admirers were legion and included Verdi who, when asked to name his three tayourite prints domnas replied "Patti, Patti and Patti". Her wealth she bought a castle in Wales. It was from there that she was persuaded to record her voice for the first time at the age of 62 and these priceless recordings can be heard in this

dramatised biography by Peggy.

Branford, Angela Down takes part of Path and the supporting cast includes Douglas Livesey and David March with the narration by Nigel

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10.02 Gardeners' Question Time visits Skepness.
10.30 Delty Service.
10.45 Morning Story; 'In the House of Proverte' by Barbara Crowther. Radio 3 11.00 News. 11.05 Baker's Dozen. Richard Baker plays records.

12.00 News.
12.02 You and Yours.
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12.27 Around the World in 25 Years with Johnny Monts, †
1.00 The World at One: News.
1.40 The Archers.
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3.00 News.
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3.50 Smith invectes the Capital (new series) Phil Smith exclores.
4.00 The Countryside in February. Thirty years of "Countryside".
4.45 Story Time: "Welsh Fargo" by Harry Secombe (3).
5.00 PM: News Magazine.
6.00 The Six O'clock News including Financial Report.

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6.00 News Briefing. 6.10 Fartiling Today, 6.30 Today, 8.35 Yesterday in Psyllament.

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7.45 I Think I Was Born Trilling. The story of the colebrated prima downs, Adelina Patti. 8.45 File On 4. Major Issues, important events at home and abroad.

10.00 The World Tonight: News. 10.30 Chote... Unquote Nigel Rees and guests share favourite quotations and identify others.

11.00 A Book at Bedtime; "A Contederacy of Duncas" by John Kennedy Toole.
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 Navas: Weather report; forecast.
12.15 Shipping Forecast; Inshore Waters Forecast.

9.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composer: Bernstein; records.†
9.55 Vola Da Gamba and Harpsichord: Recital: Christopher Simpson, Bach, Antolne Formuser and the control of the

Roy Plomley says Be My Guest (Radio 2 10.30pm)

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7.05 Your Midweek Choice. Record requests: Frederick the Great, Schubert, Haydn.† 8.00 Nows 8.05 Your Midweek Chalce (con-tinued) Jametelt. Offenbach, Shostakovich, Grieg.†

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7.30 Scientifically Speaking.
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1.00 News.
1.05 Concert Half: String Quartet recital: Schubert, Brahms.†
2.00 Music Weekly.†
2.50 Jazzmen Talking: Milt Jackson in conversation with Charles

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TYNE TEES

As Themes except: Starts 9.20 The Good Word. 9.25-9.30 North East-News. 1.20 North East News. 1.25-1.30 Where The Jobs Are, 2.45-3.45 Crossroads, 6.25-7.00 Northern Life, 12.20 Judisian, 12.35 Closedown.

GRANADA As Thames except: 12,30pm-1.00 Mr As Thames except: 12,30pm-1,00 Mr and Mrs. 1,20 Granada Reports, 1,30-2.00 Exchange Flags. 2,30 Multi-Million Viswer Audition. 2,45-3,45 Great Depression: British, 5,15-5,45 Private Benjamin. 6,00 This is Your Right. 6,05 Crossroads. 6,30-7,00 Granada Reports. 10,30 Film: Deadly Affair (James Mason) security agent sets out to break an espionage ring. 12,30em Closedown.

CENTRAL

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SCOTTISH . As Thames except 1.20pm News, 1.30-2.00 Full Life: Lord Beeching, 2.45-3.45 Great Depression, 5.10 Trivial Tales, 5.20-5.45 Cressroads, 6.00 Scotland Today, 6.20 Action Line, 6.30-7.00 Report, 12,20am Late

Call, 12.25 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As Thames except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.45-3.45 Trapper John. 5.15-5.45 Private Benjamin. 6.00-6.35 Calembar. 12.20am Closedown.

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An Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 2.45 Bracken, 3.45-4.15 History Makers, Napoleon: End of a distalor, 4.45 Sport Billy, 5.10 Ask Oscar! 5.20-5.45 Croseroads, 6.00 Naws, 6.30-7.00 Sing a Song with Me. 12-20 am Closedown.

HTV CYMRU/WALES As HTV West except: 12.00-12.10 pm Flalabelam. 4.15 Mr Merlin. 4.45 Y Rheilffordd Gudd. 5.10-5.20 Dick Tracy. 6.00 Y Dydd. 8.15-6.30 Raport Wales.

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As Thames except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.45-3.45 Bracken. 5.15-5.45 Radio. 6.00-6.35 Lookaround. 12.20am News. 12.23 Closedown.

**ANGLIA** As Themes except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.45-3.45 Trapper John. 5.15-5.45 Happy Days. 6.00-6.35 About Anglia. 12.20am Big Question...

ULSTER

As Thames except: 1.20pm-1.30 Lunchtime, 2.45-3.45 Great Depression: Britain, 5.15 Radio, 5.30-5.45 Good Evening Ulster, 6.00-5.35 Good Evening Ulster, 12.20em News

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As Thames except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.45-3.45 Trapper John. 5.15 Gus Honeybun. 5.20-5.45 Crossroade 6.90 Today South West. 6.30-7.00 Day in the Life of . . . Barnstaple Fair, 12.20am Postscript. 12.25 Closedown

Queen's Bench Division

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Chancery Division

# No power to delete

Regina v HM Coroner for the County of London, Ex parte Rubenstein

Before Mr Justice Glidewell

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Undgment delivered February 19) Where an application was brought before the High Court under section 6 of the Coroners Act 1887 by leave of the Attorney General for an order to quash an inquisition and verdict given by a judge and jury, a judge of the High Court had no power to amend the verdict.

Mr Justice Glidewell in a reserved judgment, so held on an application by Dr David Isaac Rubenstein, of Wood Green, London, for an order to quash the verdict and inquisition and the verdict and inquisition and tider upon the death of Stephen languale returned by the respondent Dr Harold Price, the coroner at Walthamstow Coroners Court, and a jury on February 11, 1981. His Lordship made an order to quash the verdict and ordered that a new made an order to quash the verdict and ordered that a new inquest with a new coroner be

Mr Henry Brooke, QC, and Mr mothy Wormington for Dr Imothy Wormington for Dr Rubenstein; The coroner was not present or represented; Mr Fenton Bresler for Mrs Langdale.

MR JUSTICE GLIDEWELL mr JUSTICE GLIDEWELL said in the Queen's Bench bivision that until November 23, 1980, Stephen Langdele had been in good health. On that day, after a hunch-time drink in a public bouse, he drove his car of the road and crashed into some fallings.

rad and crashed into some railings. He was seen to stagger about and the police were called. At the police station a breath lest proved positive, and Dr Rubenstein, a police surgeon, was called to take a blood sample. That sample later showed 33 milligrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood.

The doctor concluded that Mr Langdale was drunk. He was put in a detention cell where he lay slumped. Six hours later when the duty sergeant changed, his condition if anything, was worse. It was clear that if he was drunk he should have sobered up to some extent. Accordingly, Dr Rubenstein was called again, and Rubenstein was called again, and on seeing him arranged for him to be sent to hospital.

Initially it was concluded that he was drunk, but after tests a lumber puncture was made and disclosed that a subarachroid haemorrhage had occurred. Despite all the hospital could do another haemorrhage occurred and he died.

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The jury's verdict at the negrest was death by natural cases "aggravated by neglect". To one had suggested any reslect after his arrival at the

rider under Act

construed as a reflection on Dr Rubenstein, and as the matter was reported in the press and affected his professional stand-ing, he had bought the present application. doctor's behalf that the verdict "aggravated by neglect" trans-gressed rule 33 of the Coroners Rules 1953 (SI 205) as amended

Rules 1953 (SI 205) as amended by the Coroners (Amendment) Rules 1977 (SI 1881); that at the inquest Dr Rubenstein had not been given any warning that he might be blamed and so was not given the opportunity to be represented, contrary to the rules of natural justice; and that there had been no evidence on which a verdict "aggravated by neglect" could properly be based. neglect" could properly be based.

Before a verdict of "aggravated by neglect" could properly be left to the jury or returned by them there must be some evidence of neglect. In the present case there was only the slimmest evidence that there was any neglect, and the evidence of that had only been given with hindsight so it was unsafe to rely on it.

The matter was clear when it came to causation. There was no evidence at all that what happened between the arrival at the police station and the arrival at the hospital in any way caused Mr Langdale's death.

Therefore the chain of evidence on which the verdict depended was incomplete. The jury were not entitled to bring in a verdict of "aggravated by neglect" and the coroner should not have left it to them, accordingly the verdict would be quashed on that ground.

However, in respect of the submission on rule 33 it was necessary to add that by that rule as amended a verdict could not be framed in a way that appeared to determine any question of civil to determine any question of civil or criminal liability.

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The jury should not have been left to add the rider "aggravated by neglect", and in those circumstances it would be more convenient to delete those words. Where a case was brought under the general common law a rider could be amended deleting words, but where the application to much was brought under words, our where the application to quash was brought under section 6 of the 1887 Act, a High Court judge had no such power. Accordingly, the inquisition would be quashed and a fresh inquisition with a new correct. inquisition with a new coroner

Solicitors: Hempsons; R. A. Roberts

# Unfair to impose tenancy variations

new tenancy under the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954, and which were aimed at obtaining a "clear lease", thereby enhancing the value of the property, would, the House of Lords held, be unfair to the short-term tenant and should not be sanctioned by the court

the short-term tenant and should not be sanctioned by the court when exercising its discretion under the Act.

Their Lordships dismissed an appeal by the City of London Real Property Co Ltd, landlords of a modern office block at Byward Street and Seething Lane, London, from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Buckley, Lord Justice Shaw and Lord Justice Brightman) (The Times, June 26, 1980; [1981] Ch 216) which had allowed an appeal by tenants from Mr Justice Goulding as to the terms of a new business tenancy under part II of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954.

The tenants, Mr Donald Robert The tenants, Mr Donald Robert of 'May and others, were a firm of solicitors practising as Ince & Co. They held the fifth floor of Knollys House together with some parking space in the basement, under a five-year lease from March, 1972. In January, 1977, they applied for the grant of a new tenancy under the 1954 Act as amended.

The landlords did not oppose The landlords did not oppose the grant of a new tenancy for three years, terminating on March 24, 1982; but a dispute arose as to the rent to be paid and the terms to be embodied in its operative covenants. The landlords had produced a draft lease with proposals to vary certain terms of the current lease.

The scheme of the draft was to place on the landlords the obligation to provide all services to the building, and to repair, maintain and decorate it (save for the demised premises), but also entitle them to recover, as additional service rent, a pro-portion of the money spent on services and external and internal repairs, plus a yearly sum, being estimated provision for dethe landlord's scheme were stated by Lord Justice Brightman (at my25-225 of [1981] 1 Ch 218). To compensate the tenants for the burden of the additional liability, the landlords proposed a biability, the landlords proposed a concluded: "The service rent, so collected from the clarify of reduction in the new rent per square foot of £10.50.

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To compensate the tenants for the burden of the additional liability, the landlords proposed a 50p reduction in the new rent per

square foot of £10.50.

ong-term of years.

Mr Ronald Bernstein, QC and Mr B. K. Levy for the landlords; Mr Derek Wood, QC and Mr Jonathan Gaunt for the tenants. THE LORD CHANCELLOR said that the origin of the dispute between the parties derived from the landlords' desire to convert the terms of the tenancy, which did not previously possess that characteristic, into what was known as a "clear lease".

The effect of that proposal would, on the evidence, be to enhance the value of the landlords' reversion by a sam between one and two million pounds, and at the same time render it more readily marketable. The purpose of a "clear lease" was to render the income derived from the rent payable by THE LORD CHANCELLOR derived from the rent payable by the tenants as little subject to

fluctuation in respect of out-goings as possible.

The method proposed by the landlords was to transfer in effect the risk of fluctuation of the items in the covenants to the tenants by providing that the landlords should be fully reimbursed for fluctuations in what had been referred to as the service charge, in return for a diminution in the fixed element in the rent — calculated at a sum of 50p a square foot, reducing the fixed rent component which would otherwise be £10.50 a square foot to £10 if a clear lease were granted. The main bone of contention was that the tenants were unwilling to be insurers of the risk of fluctuation and would prefer to pay the full fixed rent of £10.50 a square foot.

of £10.50 a square foot.

It went without saying that where an office block was in multiple occupation by different business tenants, the management of the common parts, the exterior and services such as lifts and lighting, must normally be part of the landlord's responsibility; and that was so under the terms of the old tenancy in the instant case.

The details and the effect of the landlord's scheme were stated by Lord Justice Brightman

O'May and Others (practising as Ince & Co) v City of London Real Property Co Ltd

Before Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, Lord Chancellor, Lord Wilberforce, Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Scarman and Lord Brandon of Oakbrook

[Speeches delivered February 18]

Variations in the terms of a current business tenancy, proposed by landlords when the tenants applied to the court for a new tenancy under the Landlord

appeal by the tenants, the Court of the 1954 Act was of Appeal held in allowing the appeal in accordance with section 35 of the 1954 Act was of Appeal held in allowing the appeal in accordance with section in the limit the grounds on which the lendlord of business premises might recover possession at the maintenance of the structure of the tructure of the court for a noffice block were shifted to a short-term tenant with compensation for the loss of his security of tenure. The relevant provisions were: sections 32 covering the property to the assumption of financial risks which were proper to be borne by the freeholder or the owner of a long-term of years. or his security or tenure. The relevant provisions were: sections 32, covering the property to be demised; section 33 which dealt with the length of the tenancy; section 34 which prescribed the rent, and section 35 which prescribed the rent, and section 35 which contract the section 35 which section 35 which

as which governed the terms of the new lease.

His Lordship deduced from those sections (1) that Parliament did not intend in relation to business property to protect the tenant from the operation of market forces in the determination of rent. nation of rent.

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(2) It was the court and not the market forces which, with one vital qualification, had an almost complete discretion as to the other terms of the tenancy.

(3) In deciding the terms of the new tenancy, as to which the court's discretion was otherwise not expressly fettered, the court must start by having regard to the terms of the current tenancy, which ex hypothesi must either have been originally agreed between the parties or themselves the result of a previous determination by the court in earlier proceedings for renewal.

His Lordship believed that

His Lordship believed that under section 35 the court must begin by considering the terms of the current tenancy, and that the change proposed must be fair and reasonable, taking into account, among other things, the comparatively weak negotiating position of the sitting tenant position of the sitting tenant requiring renewal, particularly in conditions of scarcity, and the general purpose of the Act which was to protect the business interests of the tenant so far as they were affected by the approaching termination of the current lease, in particular as regarded his security of tenure. There must be a good reason based in the absence of agreement on essential fairness for the court to impose a new term not

will.

His Lordship having analysed the tests applied by the judge, and the Court of Appeal in dissenting from them, gave his own reasons for agreeing with the Court of Appeal. It was obvious that in the case of an office block in multiple occupation by different tenants, the actual management of the ex-terior parts, common parts, lifts, boilers, and ancillary services

In Attorney General v Lundin (The Times February 20) leading counsel for the Attorney General was Mr Desmond Fennell, QC.

would ordinarily rest in the hands of the landlords who would covenant to provide them. Some of those items were readily calculable or could be made the subject of insurance. Some might fluctuate enormously, and the extent of fluctuation would only be ascertainable at the end of the lease Obviously it was to the landlord's advantage to transfer the financial risk of fluctuation to the tenant and, if the tenant agreed (and the evidence was that

many did) there was no reason why he should not do so. But the crucial question was, if the current lease did not so provide and the tenant did not agree, by what possible reasoning should the court impose the burden on the tenant against his burden on the tenant against his will as a condition of his receiving a new tenancy?

If the inference from the authorities was that the language of section 35 required that the party (whether landlord or tenant) requiring a change mustify as reasonable a departure from the current lease, a mere agreement about figures did not shift the burden in any way. The appeal should be dismissed.

Lord Wilberforce concurred in the result and Lord Keith, Lord Scarman and Lord Brandon agreed.

Solicitors: Nabarro, Nathanson

and accordingly his isordship would give leave for that to be done. His Lordship ordered costs in favour of the company and opportunity to discharge the debt, if it was undisputed, before advertisement took place, with all the potentially damaging. advertisement took place, with all its potentially damaging conse-quences, and (2) to enable the company, if it wished to dispute

# No gains tax relief on movable plant

Williams v Evans (Inspector of Taxes)

Before Mr Justice Nourse
i Judgment delivered February 17]

Capital gains accruing on sales of business assets consisting of movable machinery were not eligible for "coll-over relief" under section 33(1) of the Finance act 1965 provided relief from the tax where gains were realized on sales of specified classes of business assets and the proceeds were applied in acquiring other business assets in the same specified class.

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Section 137(1) of the Finance Act 1965 provided relief from the tax where gains were realized on sales of specified classes of business assets in the same specified class. Capital gains accruing on sales of husiness assets consisting of movable machinery were not eligible for "roll-over relief" under section 33(1) of the Finance Act 1965 (now section 115 of the Capital Gains Tax Act 1979) because section 33(6), properly construed, restricted the relief to machinery that was 1979) because section 33(6), properly construed, restricted the retief to machinery that was

the reper to machinery that was fixed.

Mr Justice Nourse so held in the Chancery Division, in dismissing appeals by Mr Bifion Williams and the other partners in the firm of T. Glyn Williams & Co from decisions of the General Commissioners for Adulton. Commissioners for Ardudwy, Gwynedd, upholding assessments to the tax made on them for 1976-77 in respect of capital gains totalling £27,839.

Mr Williams and his partners traded as plant hirers and contractors. During 1976-77 they sold a number of earth-moving machines at prices that exceeded the original purchase prices and reinvested the proceeds in two new earth-moving machines for use in their business. Both the old and the new were movable and not fixed machines.

# Solicitors: Nabarro, Nathanson & Co; Ince & Co. Petitioner's penalty

Before Mr Justice Slade [Judgment delivered February 15] A petitioner to wind up a company who did not follow the relevant winding-up rules was ordered to pay the company's and an opposing creditor's costs in the Chancery Division.

Mr Grant Crawford for the petitioner; Mr John Brisby for the company; Mr J. E. Rayder James for the Inland Revenue; Mr. Robin Hollington for the opposing creditor.

MR JUSTICE SLADE said that a petition to wind up the company was presented by Billing and Sons Ltd on January 5, 1982. The Companies Winding-Up Rules 1949 (SI No 330), as amended, provided by rule 22 that every petition should be advertised not less than seven clear days after it had been served on the company and not less than seven clear days before the day fixed for the hearing.

The object of that provision was (1) to give the company an

In the present case the petitioner not only failed to allow seven clear days after service of the petition before advertisement took place, but advertisement took place two days before the petition was served. While his Lordship was content to accept the assurance that that breach had not been deliberate, it had been flagrant and serious and of the type which the court must take steps to discourage.

The Companies (Winding-Up) (Amendment) No 2 Rules, 1981 (SI 1309) expressly empowered the court to remove a petition Ordinarily his Lordship would have struck out the petition, but Mr Rayner-James, for the Inland Revenue had indicated that the Revenue wished to be substi-

Solicitors: Letcher & Son, Verwood; Harveys, Lewisham; Solicitor to the Inland Revenue; Amhurst, Brown, Martin & Nicholson.

section 118 of the Capital Gains
Tax Act 1979) specified assets
under Class I, head B, as "Fixed
plant or machinery which does
not form part of s building or of
a permanent or semi-permanent
structure in the nature of a
building".

Mr David Party for Mr
Williams and his partners; Mr
Robert Carowath for the Crown.

MR JUSTICE NOURSE said MR JUSTICE NOURSE said that the question was whether roll-over relief was available in respect of capital gains from the sale of movable machinery or only in respect of the sale of fixed machinery. That turned on whether the word "Esset" whether the word "fixed" in bead B of Class I qualified plant alone or machinery as well as

plant.
Mr Williams's argument that it qualified only plant was made primarily on semantic grounds. The word "or", it was said, was The word "or", it was said, was disjunctive; conversely "and" was a conjunctive word. Thus if Parliament had intended to draw a provision where the adjective was to cover both nouns, it would either have used the conjunctive "and" or alternatively would have repeated the adjective "fixed" before the word "machinery".

On a broader base it was argued that the object of roll-over relief was to avail those running businesses to retain the running businesses to retain the proceeds of business assets in the husiness so as to be able to buy further assets without having to bear the tax. Thus it would be strange, it was said, to limit the relief in the way for which the Crown contended by distinguishing movable from fixed machiners.

in spite of that persuasive argument, Mr Williams's case was unacceptable. It was likely that in 1965 Parliament did not think that inflation would be such that used machines could be sold at prices in excess of the original purchase prices. But construing the words that Parliament had used in their context and according to legal principles, it was clear that Class I, head B, was intended to apply only to fixed plant or to fixed machinery and not to movable machinery. The Crown's claim succeeded and the appeal was dismissed with costs.

dismissed with costs. Solicitors: Hatchett Jones & Kidgell; Solicitor of Inland

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By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

Workers caught in a closed for legislating against existing shop they dislike face a delay arrangements in industry, said: of up to two and a half years before they can get rid of compulsory trade union memberaltio. It became clear yesterday that the Government may not act in its present term of office and wait until mid-1984 before forcing employers and unions to hold ballots testing support for the closed shop.

This is the timetable for introducing obligatory votes on union membership agreements envisaged by Mr Nor-man Tebbit, the Secretary of State for Employment, Some senior Cabinet mem-

bers, however, are uneasy about the long delay and could compel Mr Tebbit to allow the voice of the shop floor to be heard much sooner. Speaking in London at a

conference on the Employment Eill, organized by the Indus-trial Society, Mr Tebbit said: I have not decided yet how soon after the royal assent the first ballot will be held. It is possible that we may go for a two rather than a one-year period." Royal assent to the Eill, which is going through Parliament, is not expected before July. He told managers, trade

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unionists and employers attending the conference: "I shall of course give full weight to your views on this before coming to a decision." Mr Tebbit, who was criticized

"We cannot be diverted from the principle that employees should have the opportunity to decide from time to time whether they wish a closed shop to continue. This is a case where the interests of individual employees must be balanced against the interest of unions and employers.

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"I am not underestimating the difficulties there will be in some firms in holding the balance. I do not doubt that in some cases employers and unions will decide not to hold ballots at all."

But no employer or union ould be able to escape the financial consequences of trying to enforce an unapproved closed shop. "In time, I hope this will persuade the more reluctant that a five-year balloting requirement is not particularly onerous." Mr Tebbit has bowed to

criticism of his original pro-posals by extending the maximum permissible interval between ballots from three to apparent concession to manage-ment "realists" is likely to cause concern among hardline Conservative backbenchers.

Today the TUC General Council will approve a wide range of measures designed to make the forthcoming Act unworkable. They include a boy-cott of all ballots on the closed shops.

# Co-op bans fox hunting within its domain

By Hugh Clayton

The Co-opertaive movement of hounds kept in Britain.

The ban brings to a success-

ful conclusion a year of camleaders to ban hunts. Mr Richard Course, executive

director of the league, said: "This is absolutely splendid. For a long time we made repoften keen hunt supporters.

is to ban hunting on its farmland from June. The Co-op, with about 38,000 acres, is the largest single owner of farmland in the private sector and its action will threaten more than a tenth of the 200 packs

The decision is an important symbolic victory in the long and usually fruitless campaign by opponents of bunting to persuade local authorities and other large landowners to ban hounds from their property.

paigning inside the Co-op by the League Against Cruel Sports, which financed a group called Co-operators Against Blood Sports. It called on members of Co-operative retail societies to urge their

resentations to the Co-op, which quite frankly got us no-where." The league has bought a total of 2,000 acres of land in the west of England, on which it imposes hunting bans. The Masters of Foxhounds Association called the han one more step towards damaging the fabric of country life." It said that the Co-op was taking arbitrary action against farmers, who included its suppliers and who were

# Jobless total down by 25,000

Continued from page 1 per cent, or nearly one in four) is the worst hit region in the United Kingdom, followed by Wales and the North of England, Best off is London vhere unemployment is only 8.5 per cent. Mr Norman Tebbit, Secre-

tary of State for Employment, said that he was encouraged the slowdown in the rate of increase in unemployment. But other reaction was almost uniformly hostile to the Government, with the TUC-Labour ernment, with the saying that ligison committee saying that the Government should change course or resign, and the CBI's Director General Sir Terence Feckett, calling for a cut in the National Insurance sur-

The figures suggest that there will be no big increase in the overall total of unem-ployed between now and

Easter, when the next genera-tion of school leavers comes

Government policies have been heavily focused in recent months on finding ways of keeping school leavers out of the dole queues by a combin-ation of job subsidies, special training places and further education

But a problem which is beginning to become more important is that of the long-term unemployed. There are now more than 900,000 people who have been out of work for more than a year, and internal Manpower Services Commission forecasts suggest the total will top a million by July. The figures for the long term

memployed and the total jobless understate the true scale of the problem. Special measures keep the total down by between 325,000 and 350,000,

and many other workers do not register because they have register ven up hope. Church leaders yesterday joined forces in a campaign calling for positive action against unemployment in Bri-

" Unemployment has become a growing evil of frightening proportions. the Rev Paul Brett, a member of the Church Action with the Unemployed campaign committee, said. The campaign calls for church

people to sponsor training and work experience schemes and to help create new jobs. About 10 "Right to Work" demonstrators invaded Mr Tebbir's Whitehall office to protest about unemployment yesterday.

The police were called, and

the demonstrators peacefully removed. Mr Tebbit was at the



# Restoring Mona Lisa's smile

Mona Lisa, a rare baby gibbon found dying in a passanger's holdall, was being nursed back to health at Heathrow yesterday by a team of girls at the airport quarantine centre

Mona Lisa (above), about six weeks old and worth up to £7,000, as a black Siamang gibbon. She was in the bag of a Dutch male passenger as he passed through Heathrow from Thailand bound for Spain. She was declared to Customs. The 10-inch high baby, weighing 350 grammes, is one of an endangered species

Mr Ken King, the quarantine station manager, said he was appalled by the way the gibbon had been treated and that action under the Endangered Species Act and the Welfare of Animals Regulations would probably be taken against the owner, who has since flown to Malaga. Mr King said: "The Gibbon was far too young to have been taken from its mother. They should not be separated for two years." When Moua Lisa is fit to travel in one

or two day's time, she will be transferred

#### Frank Johnson in the Commons

# Giving Mr Skinner private hell

Conservative backbencher yesterday accused Mr Dennis Skinner's election agent of having bought his own council house. We were all stunned. It

was an imputation of blasphemy second only to a suggestion that Mr Skinner himself could be capable of making so base a purchase. But it was awful enough, For here was an accusation that Mr Skinner (Bolsover, Lab), spiritual leader of Britain's millions of extreme, fundamegratist proletarians, was herbouring close to his per-son, indeed in his very entourage, someone who had availed himself of Conservative wider home ownership legislation.

The wretch who made the charge was Mr John Heddle (Lichrield and Tamworth, C). He did so in the guise of a question to the Prime Minister. A terrible scene ensued. For Mr Skinner was present, seated in the place below the gangway from which he has conducted his years of struggle against all bourgeois forms of government.

Ar Heddie made his

accusation against someone whom "the hon Member for Bolsover employs as a political agent ". The Tory benches broke

into cheers at this amazing news. Mr. Skinner suddenly sat upright, chin held high— the whole effect being one of affronted dignity probably not seen in public life since the death of Queen Victoria. He rose. Alas, Mr Michael Foot rose at the same time. The Speaker called Mr Foot. Mr Skinner remained standing. He remonstrated with the Chair, though in the noise it was impossible to hear his The Speaker told him that

The Speaker told him that the Question Time had only just begun, the implication being that once Mr Foot had spoken Mr Skinner would shortly have an opportunity to defend himself against a charge which, if left unanswered, would destroy the faith of Mr Skinner's humble followers throughout the followers throughout the length and breadth of Bolsover and even further. But Mr Skinner could not possibly weit that long. Even-tually, his words reached us. It was as if he was appealing to us in the gallery to send reassurance as soon as im-

possible to the demoralized "I 'aven't got an agent", he shouted.

He resumed his seat. Mr Foot began to put some tedious rather about the budget. Mr Skin, ner shouted to him across the gangway to refte the awful charge. "I am sure my hon friend can look after himself", Mr Foot inadequately commented.

Eventually, from the Chair, came the cry of: "Mr Dennis Skinner". Mr Skinner rose once more. Drawing on all his authority, he ruled: "1s the Prime Minister aware that I haven't got an agent, and that the person referred to is no longer on the executive of the Bolsover constituency Labour Party".
From Mr Skinner's words

and like all great systics he tends to speak in parables
— it was clear that there had been someone who had made an evil purchase, someone (darkly described as "the person referred to") with recusant desire for, say, his own chiming door bell or privately-owned plastic gar den gnome. But he was "no longer on the executive". What a wealth of damnation was contained in those simple words.

Mention of which brings one to Mr Frank Haynes

(Ashfield, Lab) who. on a point of order, later reminded the Speaker that the Chair had last week rebuked him for using the term "What the hell!"

In that case, asked Mr Haynes, why had not the Speaker rebuked a Tory who had said that Western European countries involved in the Siberien gas pipeline had "sold their souls to the devil?" The Speaker shoply repeated that references to trips to hell were not ap-proved of by him or presumably by Hira.
Mention of hell led naturally to the committee stage
of the Canada Bill. Dante,

author of the standard guide book to hell, missed a trick by not including in one of the innermost circles those whose punishment was to listen for all eternity to Mr Enoch Powell emplaining during the committee stage why the Canada Bill was a paradoxical absurdity.
Mr Powell and the allparty opponents of the Bill have mounted a fillibuster.

Their aim is to speak for the rest of eternity. There will therefore be a more detailed account in this column later

# THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

# Today's events

# Royal engagements

"Absence of Malice", in aid of the Italian Hospital, Odeon, Leicester Square, 8.
The Duchess of Kent, Chancellor of Leeds University, visits "The University and Industry" exhibi-tion, Clothworkers' Hall, Mincing Talks, lectures

Health risks and the environment, by Prof J. T. Davies, Large Lecture Theatre, Poynting Building, Birmingham University, 11.

The Gulbenkian Museum of Oriental Art, by John Ruffle, Whitworth Art Gallery, University of Manchester, Whitworth Park, Manchester, 12.15.

Recital by Joy Baker (mezzo soprano) and Katherine Rolleston (piano), Bourne Hall, Ewell, 1.10.
Concert, Northern Sinfonia of England, with Natalia Guiman (cello), City Hall, Newcastle, 7.45.

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16 Welsh hero makes grand

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22 Fellow upset good man -breaks commandment (6).

23 The ruling type of novelist

25 Musicians to form a crew? (5).

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- 13 Wonders if the distances include reversing car (8). 15 Something on coat or jumper
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- 24 Bore was a candidate? (5). 26 Corrects the name of a gas 27 Red Indian dog swallows wild-
- cat (7)-23 10 may be out of these varieties (5). 29 Sir Roger's home, period-
- ically (9).
- 1 One interested in shooting stars? (9). 2 Adds spirit to my game (5). 3 Oid monument for poor Mr Cole above the church (8). 4 Pale with study of Maugham's work (δ).

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7.45. Concert, Orchestra da Camera, Civic Hall, Bedworth, 7.30.

# From Manet to Toulouse From Matter to Toutouse-Lautree; French lithographs, 1860-1900, Art Callery & Museum, Kelvingrove, Glasgow; Mon to Sat 10 to S, Sun 2 to S; (until April

10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5; (until April 12).
A choice of Design—fabrics from Warner and Sons, Brighton Museum, Royal Pavilion, Bright-on; Tues to Sat 10 to 5.45, Sun 2 to 5, closed Mon (until March

Royal wedding dress and pre-sents, Palace of Holyroodhouse, Edinburgh; Mon to Sat 9.30 to 4.30, Sun 2 to 6; (ends Feb 28). Last chance to see

Work by Vladimir Mayakovsky, Fruit Market Callery, 29 Market Street, Edinburgh; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30 (ends today).

# Auctions today

Bonhams, Montpeller Street: Furs, 11. Christie's, King Street: Jewels, 11: Continental silver and objects of virtu. 11: princed books, the property of The 10th Duke of Devonsitire's Charitable Trust, 11. Christie's, South Ken-sington: Carpets and objects of art and sculpture, 10.30; modern British and Continental pictures British and Continental pictures, watercolours, drawings and sculpture, 10.30: furniture, 1; English and Continental pictures, 2. Phillips, Elenhaim Street: Chinese and Japanese ceramics and works of art, 11; automobilia, 12. Sotheby's, Bond Street: 19th century Continental paintings, 11; wine, 10.30. Sotheby's, Belgravia: Decorative art, 11. Decorative art, 11.

Bonhams, Monteplier Street : English and Continental pointings, English and Continental paimtings, 9 to 3; English and Continental familiare, 9 to 3; English and Continental ceramics and works of art, 9 to 5; jewels and objects of virtu. 9 to 4. Christie's, King Street: English furniture; Old Master pictures, both 9.15 to 4.30. Phillips, Elepheim Street: Automobilia, 9 to 11; musical instruments: books, atlases, manyments; honks, atlases, maps; silver and plate, all 9 to 4.30. Sombeby's, Bond Street; Continental pottery, pictures—fast sale, both 9.30 to 4.39.

# Sporting fixtures

Racing: Meetings at Ascor.
1.30; Folkestone. 1.30 and
Catterick Bridge, 1.15.
Bedminton: England v Japan
v Sweden, heddersfield Sports
Centre, 1 and 6.33.

# Parliament today

Communs (2.30) : Travel Conressions (London) Bill, second Lords (2.30) : Debates on rural France Fr housing, problems of the Scottish Germany DM Highlands, and on A220 Airbus. Greece Dr

# l'oday's anniversaries

Winslow Homer, American painter, was born in Boston, 1836, and Guorge Moore at Moore Hall. County Mayo, Ireland, 1852, Deaths: Henry Cavendish, physicist and chamist, London, 1810; Robert Fultan, American ingineer, New York, 1815. 

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# The Times list of best-selling books

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The Last Waltz in Vienna

Latest pamphlets

Family Holiday Guide. This is the thirtieth year of publication of this useful guide to holiday accommodation, specially suited for parents, babies and children, in both hotels and self-catering. There is also valuable guidance on beaches and other facilities. The publisher, Jonathan Lewis, and his inspectors have surveyed more than 1.000 toilet facilities. They concluded that sparkling toilets are a low priority for many concerns. On the positive side, though, more hotel rooms are being offered with private bathrooms, more caravans with mains drainage and fewer flats with

Centre. Plymouth will be high on the visiting list in this year of Maritime England and all the information a visitor could possibly require is contained in this attractive guide to the mari-time and other attractions of the time and other attractions of the

city. ..Plymouth Marketing Bureau Ltd. Royal Building, St Andrews Cross, Plymouth, Devon. 35p.

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The papers It is no coincidence that the primary school nearly wrecked by pupils is in Toxteth, says the Daily Mirror: "Take the children of the unemployed living in bad housing and put them in inadequate schools and you get trouble. . . Money saved in education cuts is really an investment in violence", it says.

Commenting on the crisis at

Commenting on the crisis at The Times, Le Monde says Mr Murdoch is applying "salami tactics", separating the various unions and taking a slice off each unions and taking a slice off each category of employees.

The Wall Street Journal yesterday said the United States Government does not appear to be erious about Polish sanctions:

"The Reagan Administration cannot afford an image of talking

loudly and carrying a small stick", it warns.

# Roads

London and South-east: Rectory Road, Farnborough, Surrey, closed between Highgate Lane and Coleford Bridge Road, diversions M4: Westbound lane closures from 9.30 am until 4 pm between junctions 8/9 and 10 between Slough and Langley, M23: Southbound lane closures 5 of Crawley, 9 am to 4 pm dally, A205: Roadworks on South Circular road at Thurlow Park Road near Tuise Hill station.

Midlands: M5: Lane closures between Worcester and Strensham

between Worcester and Strensham (junctions 7 and 8). A5: Single lane traffic and temporary signals N of Nuneaton. A38: Lane closwres from Tyburn into NE suburbs of Birmingham.
North: A64: Roadworks at Bramham crossroads (A1), W Yorkshire. A6120: One lane each way on Leeds outer ring road near Weetwood Lane. M18/M180: One lane each way in Humber-

Wales and West: M4: Lane closures at Newport, junctions 24 to 25. A40 : Roadworks at White-mill, Dyfed : A338 : Roadworks on mail, byted (A336); Roadworks on Bournemouth by-pass near railway station.
Scotland: A89: Bank Street.
Coatbridge, Lamarkshire. closed castbound between South Circular Road and Dundyvan Road.
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width reductions between New-mills and Currie in Lothian. Information supplied by the

long haul flights are unaffected.

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Outlook for bomorrow and Friday: Unsettled, Lemperatures near or rather above normal. SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Straits
of Dover: Wind SW moderate; sea slight
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rough.

See rises: 6.57 am Sup sets: 5.31 pm First quarter: March 2.

Lighting up time London 6.01 pm to 6.25 am Bristol 6.11 pm to 6.35 am Ediaborgh 6.06 pm to 6.45 am Manchester 6.06 pm to 6.37 am Penzance 6.25 pm to 6.45 am

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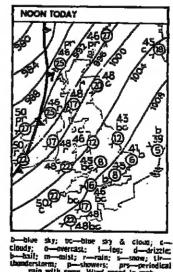
Satellite predictions

Figures: give time of visibility, where rising, maximum elevation, and direction of setting. Asterisk denotes entering or learning eclipse.

MANCHESTER: Cosmos 1220: 19.36-19.42; NW; 75SSE; SC, Cosmos 1286; (Feb 25) 5.11-5.12, N; 15N; NNE. Cosmos 880R: 19.10-19.13; NNW; 201NE, NNW; 201NE, NNW; 15N; NNE. Cosmos 1306; (Feb 25) 5.18-5.20; NNW; 20W; W, Bhaskar 2; 16.31-18.36; S; 20SSE; ESE\* and 20.9.20.10; WSW; 25SW; SW; 58ssat: 18.54-19.1; NNE; 25NW; WMW, Salyot 6: (Feb 25) 5.13-5.15; SSE\*; 55SSE; ESE.

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